

"We should go into Mexico with beans in one hand and hand grenades in the other. In case they do not accept our WELL INTENDED and SINCERE FRIENDSHIP, may God help them."—Representative La Guardia.

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Horrors! Terrible Terrors of Red Hosts Depicted

(By Robert Page Lincoln.)

The perils coming through Bolshevism are many and varied and it is in knowing the nature of these disturbing predicaments that the people elsewhere than in Russia should be warned. We must combat Bolshevism by carefully and intelligently diagnosing the perils that come through Bolshevism. In knowing just what the Bolsheviks have done and are doing is enlightenment and a powerful means of acquainting the workers with the inner mysteries of the Red Terror. In the first place the most horrible example of this system of government is the fact that everybody is allowed to vote who works. In other words the soviet slogan is: "A vote for everyone who does useful labor." This is against all true government as it leaves social parasites no voice in the affairs of the world. We must condemn that move. Remember that the Bible says: "And the poor will ever be with ye," and remember that only 95 per cent of the people of Russia can vote against 65 per cent of the people in America. That proves that 95 per cent of the people of Russia are

working people. Working people are incapable of self-government, which is proven by the fact that the Bolsheviks have only been in power somewhat over two years and the opposition has been mild to say the very least. For further proof of the decline of Bolshevism we can quote from the recent speech given by Lloyd George before the house of commons, in which he stated that, "while the Bolshevik force is apparently growing, Bolshevism itself is gradually waning," which is equal to saying that the sun is rising but it is setting. It must be further understood that the Bolsheviks are unfair in getting into power. They have elections where the people can emphatically state what party they desire. In one election there were 17 tickets represented and the Bolsheviks won by 12,000 votes. In other words the Bolsheviks got more votes than all the other 16 parties put together. There you can see the unfairness of the Bolsheviks. They believe in elections; that people shall have a chance to state what form of government they desire. We can see Bolshevism uncovered at last the whole crude, bloody business dawns upon us.

A Message From Hungary To American Workingmen

(By Cable to The Liberator.)

We send heartiest greetings to the working proletariat of America. Although it has been possible for capitalism to pit one part of you against the others, especially the well-paid workers against those not so well-paid, we firmly believe that you will within a short time see clearly that you all belong to an oppressed class, that the bourgeoisie has become unnecessary in your country as it has shown itself to be unnecessary in ours. For European capitalism the twilight of the gods has arrived. Everybody sees this now. But capitalists console themselves with the hope that the American workingmen will save capitalism for them. We trust that the American workingmen will frustrate this hope. We patriotically greet the Hungarian workmen of America. They had to emigrate from Hungary because it did not offer them a home. We now have made it a home for them. (Signed) BELA KUN, People's Commissaire of Foreign Affairs of the Hungarian Soviet Republic.

Bishop Brown Answers Editor's Slander

Peoples Right To Political Revolution Defended by Socialist High in Church Circles.

(Bishop Wm. M. Brown, Socialist, formerly of Little Rock, Ark., now living at Galion, Ohio, a bishop in the Episcopal church, is accused in a Little Rock paper of aligning himself with the "addie-pated parlor bolsheviks" and incidentally injuring his reputation thereby. We are glad to print below Bishop Brown's answer to these accusations—Editor.) In a Little Rock paper the editor says: "Bishop Brown has hurt his reputation grievously by allowing himself to become associated and entangled with the addie-pated parlor bolsheviks in this country." After a severe criticism of Russian bolshevism he adds: "The parlow bolshevik, from one viewpoint, is worse than the rabid bolshevik who operates with torch, bomb and dagger, because there is no excuse for him." BISHOP BROWN'S ANSWER. "Our national declaration of independence justifies political revolution on the part of a people whose government fails in securing and safeguarding the inalienable rights of all mankind—"life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness"—and especially does it justify the proletarian revolutions which are at this time developing and raging in many nations, because they are the result of a long train of abuses and usurpations, pushing invariably the same object" which train of abuses

NATIONAL OFFICE DEFIES WILL OF TEN THOUSAND PARTY MEMBERS DEMANDING NATIONAL REFERENDUM

Motion to Rescind Acts of Despotism of National Executive Committee to Be Held Up.

From all signs there is to be no limit to the despicable acts of the national office and the despotic national executive committee. National Secretary Gormer has just addressed a letter to the national executive committee asking them to vote whether the referendum, initiated by Local Cuyahoga County (Cleveland), rescinding the acts of the national executive committee in expelling and suspending half of the party membership, shall go to membership referendum. In this letter (the national secretary argues that it ought not because the motion contains comment and is therefore unconstitutional. More than 10,000 party members have already seconded this call for a national referendum to rescind the acts of the despotic seven national executive committeemen to disrupt the Socialist party. This is about three times as many seconds as are constitutionally necessary. And now, that the referendum has been generally supported, and in view of the further fact that the motion is bound to carry if ever given to a vote of the membership, the will of the rank and file of the party is again to be curbed by autocratic procedure such as socialists have never experienced. If the motion made by Local Cuyahoga County was not in constitutional form, why did not the national secretary inform this local of that fact immediately the motion was received by him? Why did national secretary

Germer wait until more than 10,000 members, through vote by their locals and branches, had supported this call for a national referendum before discovering it unconstitutional? Why this tricky method of interfering with the due processes of the referendum? We know why. The despotic seven on the national executive committee and the national secretary are afraid to permit the rank and file to voice its sentiments upon the acts of the national executive committee in expelling and suspending half of the party membership. The referendum, if placed before the membership, will carry so overwhelmingly, despite the fact that half the membership is out of the party, that the national office

HAYWOOD RELEASED; BOND APPROVED

Chicago—William D. Haywood, former secretary-treasurer of the I. W. W., has been released from Leavenworth prison following approval of \$25,000 bonds. Haywood among others convicted at Chicago nearly a year ago, have been released on large bonds pending a new trial on appeal.

The utter unscrupulousness of the Bolsheviks may be seen in the fact that the largest salary any official of the Soviet government may receive is sixty dollars a month. Lenin, in Russia, the head of the Soviet Republic, receives sixty dollars a month, and President Wilson of the United States receives a beggarly portion of \$75,000 a year. There you can see the Bolsheviks unmasked. We always knew that the Socialists would make the mistake of giving their leaders a lump of gold that would choke a silo in exchange for their brain power.

Then, too, the Bolsheviks have given over all the land to the peasants; each family is given all the land that it can till and make productive. That is an act against God. God gave the land to the barons to be used as hunting grounds and for the perpetuation of Russian thistles. Tilling of that ground will make the peasants happy and when the working people are happy this will be a devil of a world to live in. Then I suppose we'll get into some kind of a millennium that "class-conscious" Lenin, not credited with organizing for

But the height of all iniquity in Russia, under the Soviet rule is that children are not allowed to work under eighteen years of age. Every American knows that government is impossible without three million child slaves in mills, factories and sweat-shops. I am sure that God would not allow child slavery unless it were just, therefore the disgracefulness of the Soviet system of allowing the children to romp and play and enjoy themselves till they are eighteen years of age is obvious. From such red terrorism turn us away. And then, on top of all that, when boys and girls become eighteen years of age in Russia they are entitled to vote if they can prove that they are useful members of society.

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SOVIET REGIME TO RULE BRITAIN, ASSERTS WHITE

LABOR WILL WIN BLOODLESS REVOLUTION TRANSFORMING ENGLAND, HE BELIEVES.

"England is undergoing a bloodless revolution," declared William Allen White, the novelist and journalist of Emporia, Kan., on his return from England on the White Star liner Baltic. He attended the peace conference as a correspondent for a national syndicate and in a semi-official capacity. France he went to England on Army conditions. He returns firmly convinced that labor is the strongest single power in that country. "That revolution," he continued, "will result in creating the first firmly established Soviet government in the world." He said that labor is being organized on a Soviet plan. "There is the local union," he said, "then the district association and then the national group. Complete power is lodged in the trade unions which control the docks, railways and mines of England. Labor rules."

"LABOR WILL WIN." "Labor is in the saddle and is demanding nationalization of the railroads, docks and coal mines. And labor will win." As an indication of the strength of labor, he quoted the fact that the English king was making an effort

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Socialists of Rock Island, Ill., and Vicinity, Attention

The Mississippi Valley Socialist picnic will be held Sunday, July 27, at Campbell's Island. Admission 15 cents. Speaker, C. E. Ruthenberg, Cleveland, O. Baseball, foot races, tug of war, bathing. Come. Bring your family. Bring your friends.

Speaking of Picnics

The Socialists of Warren are arranging for a big picnic to be held in Warren on Oak Lawn Park, July 27. The picnic grounds are located in Trumbull county and surrounding communities are requested to attend.

Charles Baker, organizer, will be the principal speaker of the day, and there will be other speakers. The Finnish band of Ashtabula will be present, which is noted for its splendid music. The program will further consist of songs, recitations, select readings, store for the sale of things to be donated, and, of course, a big dinner and other refreshments will be amply provided.

Reader, this means that you are invited to come and bring others! Remember the date, Sunday, July 20, Park between Tod and Highland streets, open at 9 o'clock. Program will begin at 10 o'clock sharp. All foreign language branches are also invited to be present.—The City Central Committee, J. F. Denison, secretary.

MONSTER DEMONSTRATION OF INTERNATIONAL LABOR

Jean Longuet declared in the Chamber of Deputies, Paris, that the proletarian triple alliance had now come into existence and that the Koltschaks of Paris, Rome and London would not gain their ends.

Paris.—The chairman of the General Confederation of Labor of France has announced that after a conference with Italian and British comrades, plans for a general strike on July 21 are to be worked out and that on that date industries in Italy and France will be completely shut down.

"The demonstration," so it is said, "will have as its aim the demand that intervention in Russia cease at once; the immediate demobilization of the

army; the restoration of constitutional guarantees; the immediate release of all political and war prisoners and for reduction in the price of foods." The triple alliance between the workers of England, Italy and France is now a fact, declared Jean Longuet, French Socialist. This declaration followed close after the opening of the proletarian congress and after a resolution had been passed against the continuance of the war on Soviet Russia. "If the strike as a political weapon is justified at all, then it is justified as a weapon for the ending of the capitalist war against Russia," said Longuet. "The Koltschaks of Paris, Rome and London have not yet gained their ends."

BISHOP BROWN MAKES OFFER OF \$1,000 FOR THE OHIO SOCIALIST PRESS FUND

Will "wonders never cease?" That's the thought that crossed our minds when we read the above offer in a letter from Comrade Bishop Wm. M. Brown, secretary of Local Galion, O. For all the surprises which the comrades have "sprung" upon us since the press fund campaign was opened, this offer of Comrade Brown's is the greatest one of all. Just think of it, a thousand dollars from one comrade! But we know that you are dead anxious to hear the straight story. So, read Comrade Brown's letter below.

Galion, Ohio, July 3, 1919.

The Socialist Party of Ohio, Care Mr. Alfred Wagenknecht, Sec., 3207 Clarke Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Comrade: Mrs. Brown and I have carefully considered the representations of the appeal which you and Comrade Allison have since May Day been making from week to week in the excellent editions of the Ohio Socialist for a printing plant to be owned and operated by the Socialist Party of Ohio, and they have persuaded us to a conviction which is deep-

ening into an enthusiasm that this is an exceptionally important undertaking on behalf of the movement of international socialism—the only great movement which has ever been set on foot for the good of mankind as a whole; a movement towards making of the world safe for a classless democracy by turning it up-side-down with the slaves above and the masters below, having the privilege to come up to work and eat or to remain down to loaf and starve, but not to rob and enslave. The success of your undertaking would mean more to the part of this movement for which our state comradeship is responsible than anything else whatsoever which can be accomplished at present; and, therefore, we have concluded that it is our privilege and duty to respond to this appeal by offering to GIVE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000) PROVIDING YOU CAN SECURE THE BALANCE OF THE AMOUNT NEEDED, \$9,000, FROM YOUR OTHER COMRADES ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY, 1919.

Hoping that our subscription will soon be called for, I am, with kindest regards from both (meaning Mrs. Brown) for all the workers at headquarters. Very cordially yours, WM. M. BROWN, Sec. Local Galion.

And there you are, comrades, a thousand dollars for the press fund, provided the rest of the comrades in Ohio and those thousands of comrades outside the state, will raise the other nine thousand.

Isn't that a fair offer? We think it is a mighty fair one and a mighty generous one. In fact it is so fair that we are sure there is not a comrade who reads this letter that will not feel like immediately forwarding his dollar or a five-spot or more to help make up the amount in the shortest possible time. And it is so generous that every comrade will feel a surge of generosity through him, a tingling along the veins that will surely make them part with what they can afford for this fund in the most generous and free giving spirit.

And it ought to do just that. This great offer of Comrade Brown's ought to arouse every comrade to a wide-awake realization of what this campaign for a press for the Ohio Socialist means to the Socialist Party of this state and nation. His letter should send a thrill of pride along the spine of every socialist who reads it. It should make them proud to belong to a political party of the workers that has among its membership a comrade so earnest, so sincere and so generous as to make such a wonderful offer to us.

For the offer is to us, comrades, to you and to

me and to every comrade in the country. But most of all, is it an offer and a CHALLENGE to every party member in the state of Ohio. We have nearly nine thousand members in this state alone. If every member would give so much as one dollar each the sum would be raised. We would have our own printing plant and a fine big press to turn out the thousands of copies of the Ohio Socialist we are printing each week.

And now, comrades, there is not a moment to lose, Comrade Brown says in his letter: "I will give one thousand dollars, providing you can secure the balance of the amount needed, \$9,000, from your other comrades on or before election day, 1919." Are we going to let that thousand dollars get away from us? WE ARE NOT! Election day is less than four months away, but we know that we can raise that amount in that time if we just say we can. And we do say it. We say it now and we are going to keep on saying it until we accomplish it and reach our goal on November 4.

That's our answer to Comrade Brown. We know it is your answer too. So let's prove we mean what we say, that we mean to get that nine thousand dollars to match the thousand from Comrade Brown. At this moment we need to raise but a little over \$7,000 to make up our share of the \$10,000 needed. Let's get that \$7,000 right away.

Now to do it. Every reader of the Ohio Socialist has received a pledge envelope from us. Hundreds of them have returned to us with generous contributions. But hundreds have not—as yet. Hunt up that envelope, comrade, put a dollar or two dollars or five or more in it and forward it at once. Just drop us a line saying "here is my part toward compelling Comrade Brown to come across with that thousand." Every local in Ohio has been sent a number of press fund subscription lists. Get those lists in the hands of comrades whose socialism means "work for socialism." Let them circulate among the workers and sympathizers. Get busy with the lists. Many comrades are working with them, more comrades must. Locals can hold a picnic, or a social or arrange various means by which to raise this amount in a pleasant and enjoyable manner.

Every comrade can do a little, most of us can do a great deal in this matter. And by so doing we will in a very short while have our own press for the Ohio Socialist and a printing plant to print our leaflets, pamphlets, books, etc.

Be ready to greet election day with a smile. Help get the party-owned printing plant.

Below are the names of comrades who have this week contributed the amount at the head of the column in which their names appear.

\$1.00 Column

- Pro Justice. E. Vanderoest, Kalamazoo, Mich. A friend, St. Louis, Mo. J. Pinterich, St. Louis, Mo. Aug. Seeland, Cincinnati, O. Wm. Kidd, Steubenville, O. Mr. and Mrs. F. Ovnice, Ringo, Kan. P. Halpern, Akron, O. M. A. Mann, Oneota, N. Y. J. Nostwick, Akron, O. Chas. Hames, Toledo, O. Jno. Householder, W. Lafayette, O. Julius John, Toledo, O. O. R. Johnson, Akron, O. Geo. E. Tobey, Hubbard, O. Jos. Novak, Neffs, O. Fred L. Thompson, Crooksville, Ohio. Mrs. C. L. Rose, Crooksville, O. V. Popov, St. Louis, Mo., 50c.

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- H. F. Derr, Fostoria, O. A. E. Hollenbaugh, Fostoria, O. Jos. Sertell, Fostoria, O. W. M. Raiston, Fostoria, O. J. S. Platte, Tiffin, O. Anton Koulmer, Tiffin, O. Wm. Geiger, Tiffin, O. A. A. Eberhart, Tiffin, O. Frank Ward, Tiffin, O. Henry Geiger, Tiffin, O. G. Klaus, Tiffin, O. Nellie Lescher, Tiffin, O. J. F. Lescher, Tiffin, O. John D. Batham, Barberton, O. Adam Scholl, Pomeroy, O. Henry Farr, Pomeroy, O. Phil Bruch, Pomeroy, O. Wm. Phillips, Pomeroy, O. Wendell Roos, Pomeroy, O. A. D. Capita, Youngstown, O. Chas. Sheidegger, Jenera, O. W. J. Gilmore, Dola, O.

\$2.00 Column

- Joe Navarre, Engelwood, O. G. A. Mooney, Portsmouth, O. C. C. Wise, Portsmouth, O. J. E. Friend, Portsmouth, O. A. B. Griffore, Portsmouth, O. Carl Schmidt, Toledo, O., \$1.50. Alex Van Gundy, Cheyenne, Wyo., \$1.50. Local Akron, English Br. Wendell Berry, Pomeroy, O. J. A. Brechtel, Pomeroy, O. V. J. Rowe, Pittsburg, Kan. Otto Winkler, Jenera, O., \$2.50. Ivan Winkler, Jenera, O., \$2.50. Mattie Wamsley, Pittsburg, Pa. T. J. McKenna, Marietta, O. Lawrence Baker, Marietta, O.

\$5.00 Column

- J. S. Davis, New Boston, O. V. Topov, St. Louis, Mo., \$3.00. E. Nelson and friends, Akron, O., \$4.00. N. B. Stewart, Canton, O. Local Zanesville, O., \$6.20. K. W. Boring, Wellsville, O., \$3. F. E. Stevens, Louisville, Ky. Victor A. Brantz, Ashtabula, O. South Slavic Branch No. 19, McKees Rock, Pa.

\$25.00 Column

- Local Springfield, O., \$15.50. Local Toledo, O., \$22.90. Frank Baxa, Neffs, O., \$1 monthly for 6 months. O. R. Johnson, Akron, O., \$1 monthly for 6 months. Geo. E. Tobey, Hubbard, O., \$1 monthly for 3 months. K. W. Boring, \$3 monthly for 6 months. V. R. McCarty, West Union, O. Victor A. Brantz, Ashtabula, O., \$5 monthly for 6 months.

How We Grow

Contributed to June 1.....	\$ 129.00
Contributed week of June 8	171.00
Contributed week of June 14	222.17
Contributed week of June 21	240.39
Contributed week of June 26	234.46
Contributed week of July 6	213.81
State picnic collection, cash	501.86
Contributed week of July 12	191.60
Total to July 12.....	\$ 1,903.29

Pledge Column

Let Party Membership Function Now

Do Not Be Fooled by Plea "Wait Until the Convention."

By L. E. Katterfeld

In a statement to the locals, the members of the old National Executive Committee, who are holding up the membership referendum in which they know themselves to be defeated for re-election, make a tearful plea to the outraged membership to wait until the national convention. They ask locals not to make seconds or motions to reverse the acts of the National Executive Committee, but to leave it all rest until the convention meets.

In the meantime this same N. E. C. finds even the mails too slow for its party wrecking activities. It voted by telegraph to expel the Socialist Party of Massachusetts. While you are being asked to "wait until the convention," the N. E. C. continues to wreck the party. Why don't they wait until the convention?

NATIONAL OFFICE DEFIES WILL OF TEN THOUSAND

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does not dare to print the ballots and have a vote. The party autocrats, if they are to retain their firm autocratic hold upon the party, dare not allow the membership to express itself. This is why this referendum is being interfered with, and this is the only reason.

The call for the referendum upon the disruptive acts of the national executive committee has been endorsed by locals and branches in all parts of the United States. Finnish, German, Jewish, and Scandinavian Language Federation branches have, in great numbers, seconded the motion. The largest English-speaking branch in Milwaukee endorsed the motion. Endorsements have been so universal that it is a foregone conclusion that the party membership has fully made up its mind to repudiate the reactionary officialdom of the party.

Not counting the hundreds of endorsements which were made by those locals and branches who were expelled from the party, the following locals and branches demand that the referendum to rescind the acts of the national executive committee go to a referendum of the membership of the Socialist party.

Albany, N. Y., Jewish branch, 50 members; Mulberry, Kans., 18 members; Superior, Wis., 48; Two Harbors, Minn., Finnish, 22; Malden, Mass., 32; Baltimore, Md., branch 3, 40; Piquette, Ohio; Warren, Ohio, Finnish, 86; Pine Bluff, Ark., 8; Lelleville, Ill., German, 105; Adams, Mass., 11; Lanesville, Mass., Finnish, 78; Marlboro, Mass., 8; Malden, Mass., Jewish, 20; Duluth, Minn., Scandinavian, 10; Kansas City, Mo., 130; Mansfield, Ohio, German, 46; Passaic County, N. J., branch 2, 16; Louisville, Ky., 104; Warren County, Pa.; Niles, Ohio, 56; Akron, Ohio, 118; San Francisco, Cal., 561; Cambridge, Ohio; Kenosha, Wis., 41; Kings County, N. Y., Jewish, 65; Philadelphia, Pa., 2500; Berkeley, Cal., Finnish, 122; Boyds, Wash., 16; Two Harbors, Minn., Scandinavian, 100; Hibbing, Minn., Finnish, 76; Joliet, Ill., 12; W. Concord, N. H., Scandinavian, 44; Judsonia, Ark., 12; Trenton, N. J., branch 4, 100; Irondele, Ohio, 13; Dunbo, Pa., 42; Virginia, Minn., 20; Astoria, Ore., Scandinavian, 28; Lowell, Mass., Scandinavian, 20; Fort Worth, Texas, 12; Minneapolis, Minn., Finnish, 124; Tacoma, Wash., 75; Oatman, Ariz., 30; Boston, Mass., Jewish, 52; Englewood, Chicago, 57; Dayton, Ohio, 250; Superior, Wis., Scandinavian, 95; Rock Island, Ill., 192; Mullan, Ida., Finnish, 20; Continental, Ohio, 6; Seneca County, Ohio, 44; Canton, Ohio; E. Liverpool, Ohio; Zanesville, Ohio, 30; Bellaire, Ohio; Muncie, Ind., 28; Girard, Ohio, 10; Salem, Ohio, 20; Hartford, Conn., Jewish, 60; Huntington, N. Y., 28; Hamilton, Ohio, German, 25; Defiance, Ohio, 150; Buffalo, N. Y., Finnish, 95; Butler, Pa., 11; Minersville, Pa., 47; Warren, Ohio, 35; Minneapolis, Minn., 10th ward, 50; St. Paul, Minn., German, 150; Easton, Pa., 135; Milwaukee, Wis., Jewish, 100; Renova, Pa., 7; Boston, Mass., Jewish, 40; Altoona, Pa., 5; Minden, W. Va., 20; South Bend, Ind., Central branch, 47; Manty Glo, Pa., 18; Anderson, Ind., 93; Horace, Kans., 4; St. Louis, Mo., Jewish, 40; Manchester, Conn., 16; Nyack, N. Y., 12; Kenmore, Ohio, 63; Pans, Ill., 48; Elwood, Ind., 125; Cincinnati, Ohio, 44; Annapolis, Md., 10; New Bremen, Ohio, 32; Portsmouth, Ohio, 40; Haverhill, Mass., 23; Milwaukee, Wis., 25th ward, English branch, 200; St. Paul, Minn., 46; Charleston, W. Va., 28; Puyallup, Wash., 15; Bellaire, Ohio, German, 24; De Kalb, Ill., 16; Chicago, Ill., Scandinavian, 125; Eveleth, Minn., Finnish, 72; Twin Lake, Minn., Finnish, 18; Tampa, Fla., 41; Sioux City, Ia., Scandinavian, 10; Local Cuyahoga County, 1821.

We need no "information" to know that no little executive committee has the power to throw forty thousand members out of our party without trial and get away with it.

We need no "information" to know that it is the duty of our party officials to count our membership referendum and announce the results.

We need no "information" to know that no committee has the right to hold a party referendum upon which they were defeated for re-election, and because of that fact.

If there is anything wrong with any referendum the remedy is not to suppress it and keep the result of the vote secret, but to turn on the light, publish the results and then if necessary, let it be challenged and investigated by disinterested comrades.

We want the party convention to decide the question at issue. However, the old N. E. C. is not minded that way. They will continue to expel and suspend BEFORE the convention takes place. Most of us will have been expelled before convention time. How can we, in such case, decide anything at the convention?

Just to prove that the despotic seven and the national secretary can MAKE US WAIT until the convention, they are now considering holding up the call for a national membership referendum initiated by Local Cuyahoga County (Cleveland) which has already been seconded by more than 10,000 members represented at local and branch meetings.

And just to prove that they do not intend "to wait until the convention," the despotic national executive committee, having just expelled the Socialist Party of Massachusetts, now has called the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania upon the carpet. It may next be expelled. Undoubtedly the Socialist Party of Ohio is slated for the same treatment. There won't be anything of the party left if this wrecking continues. Are these acts then in fact an attempt to disrupt the Socialist Party to favor a reform party, the Labor Party or to satisfy the wishes of seven despots on the N. E. C. who failed to re-election in the referendum? Are they revenging themselves?

ILLITERACY IN AMERICA.

"Of the 600,000 teachers in America 100,000 are less than 20 years old; 100,000 have served two years or less; 30,000 have had no education beyond the eighth grade; 200,000 have less than a high school education." Such is the statement

These Letters Make Us Smile

Occasionally we receive letters like the following. They make us smile. And we pass them on to our readers for we believe they, too, will smile at them—and smiles are badly needed in this old world—so read and smile. We print them just as written:

To All Socialists: Please don't send your papers to my home any more, I am tired of having the mail man bring such truck to my house I am no Socialist, I don't believe in Socialism, I am strictly Catholic; did you get me, no Socialist whatever, don't send no more truck around.—Mrs. E. Crawford, Norwood, O.

FROM A "100% AMERICAN." Sirs: You are still sending me your paper, yet I have refused it and it is still coming, an now sir I do not want you to send it no more, I do not take no stock on your wind we do not want no Bolshevism in America; no man need not try and preach socialism in me. I am 100% American, I am going to stand by our government till the last man is beat off the earth that tries to try to tare our government to pieces I have no money for such a cause.—P. T. Rausch, Wadsworth, Ohio.

HORRORS! TERRIBLE TERRORS

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Since writing the above I find that I have made a mistake. The rapist terrorism contained in the above paragraph (and which is to the undying degradation of the Soviets) is mild in comparison to the blood-letting that really is the case. Here is my later information:

"Education is compulsory until the age of twenty-one. The child is exempt from school attendance for any reason whatsoever until the age of sixteen is reached, and between sixteen and twenty-one only extreme conditions justify absence from school."

For stark corruption try to equal that. Take that line: "No child is exempt from school for any reason whatsoever"—it is quite apparent that the children are not so free to leave school at an early date to help "the old man" in supporting the family. They have no liberty, no freedom, it can easily be seen, under Soviet rule. The little de ignorant Russian people realize what they are missing by not having a supreme court to declare child labor constitutional. Anyone knows that without a supreme court people can not govern themselves. No government "of the people and by the people" is possible without a group of supreme judges.

The fact that the women are allowed to vote in Russia proves that the Soviets are recognizing the gentle sex; and this is disturbing all the profane laws of nature. It was not so many years ago that a certain church at a holy convention decided to vote on whether the female of the species had a soul and by a majority of five votes it was decided: "Yes, the woman has a soul." But this didn't happen in Russia even under the czar. We will tell you where it did happen. It happened in Italy.

But in Russia: O my Lord. Listen to what they have there with which to besmirch the fair flower of womanhood. Here it is:

"The Soviets provide for the free care of women for sixteen weeks, before, during and after confinement. Palaces of motherhood have been established for this purpose, which are really modern maternity hospitals. Under no condition does the mother return to work until she is strong and well, and her full salary is paid by the state throughout this period. The law applies to all women, whether married or single, for the Soviet government does not believe that the sins of the father should be visited upon the children."

"That the sins of the father should not be visited upon the child—'I don't believe the Soviets are right there. I find upon careful study of some of the free governments of the world that the easiest way to have orphan asylums, insane asylums, houses of good shepherds and a host of other things is to let capitalism and disease take its course."

You can see easily enough that in Russia when a woman begets a child she is given no freedom. In other countries she has freedom. She can choose what porch she desires on which to discard her newly-born and is then free to go back to washing floors in office buildings and scrubbing out the spitoons of successful men.

But on top of all this maddening injustice and red terrorism, what do you think that the Russian people have the brazen nerve to ask of the other peoples of the earth? Here it is: "Leave us alone; let us work out our own destiny."

Think of it! Here we have a people actually wishing to work out their own destiny without being interfered with by other nations or kingdoms. Ridiculous! Scandalous! Preposterous!

We will admit it need be that in the war against the curse of capitalism Russia was bled white. We will admit that. We will admit further, if you so desire, that in the war against the kaiser 3,500,000 Russians were killed, that 4,000,000 were wounded, that there were 350,000

CALIF. STATE CONFERENCE DEMANDS SEATING OF NEWLY ELECTED N. E. C.

The state conference of the Socialist party of California which met recently in San Francisco, adopted a motion "demanding that the newly elected national executive committee be seated and that the question of their standing be left to the coming national emergency convention, to meet in Chicago, August 30." This means that the Socialist party of California deems it wise that the present despotic national executive committee resign and give way to the new officials, which are Left Wing socialists.

A motion was also passed to recommend that all locals in California endorse the motion made by Local Cuyahoga County to rescind the acts of the national executive committee in suspending and expelling half of the party membership.

THE CALIFORNIA CONVENTION

By Alanson Sessions

The California State Convention of the Socialist party, held on May 30, 31, and June 1 at San Francisco, resulted in a more or less definite decision to affiliate with the Left Wing movement of the American Socialist party. The greater part of Sunday, June 1, was spent in a discussion of the practicality of the Left Wing movement. A motion was not taken before the adjournment of the convention. While Left Wing sentiment seemed to be dominant, a vote on the subject was either adroitly avoided by the machinations of the Right or overlooked by the Left.

The first two days of the convention were occupied in the discussion of methods of organization and propaganda, and of the nature and future of the Socialist press. But from the outset it was clear to all that such discussion was futile until the momentous question of basic party policy was determined. The subject of organization and propaganda must be confused and incoherent if the party does not know precisely where it stands with relation to the Left Wing. It was to be expected, therefore, that the first two days of the convention would be wasted in tiresome verbosity.

The third day proved that the majority of the membership is Left Wing by sentiment, if not by intellectual conviction. Most of the delegates felt that there is a dire need for a radical alteration in tactics, but few of them had done any serious and consecutive thinking on the subject. Taylor, state secretary, and Dolsen, one of the most prominent of the party organizers, are both Left Wing. Others like Lillian B. Symes and Cameron King, recognized as big figures in the California movement, were emphatically Right Wing in their attitude. King especially bitterly attacked the Left Wing program and denounced "frenzied Praina" as a phrase-monger and a vulgar disrupter.

King's argument principally centered on the fact that a revolution in the United States is not likely for many years to come. This being the case, he contended, it was idle to agitate for a dictatorship of the proletariat and an application of Russian tactics to American conditions. The leader of the Left Wing, Comrade Coleman, in answer to King, argued that the possibility of an immediate overturn in this country was something quite beside the point—that the Left Wing wished only to make the party strictly revolutionary in its aims and tactics and to prepare thoroughly for the revolution when it comes.

There is little doubt that the referendum vote on the Left Wing and Right Wing issue will result in favor of the former. The leaders of the Left, however, recognize the fact that many of their supporters are not well grounded, and they are carrying on a strenuous campaign of education among their ranks.

It is interesting to note although the Left Wingers have been denounced by the Right Wingers as hysterical, etc., at the California convention the exponents of the Left Wing were far more scholarly and unhygienic than their opponents. Cameron King, for instance, did not hesitate to resort to epithets and personal denunciation in his speeches, while Coleman's talk was a dispassionate, impersonal analysis of the situation.

This convention is a preliminary convention to a larger and more representative one which will be called in the near future.

DAN HOGAN AND DEMOCRACY

Sometimes when I have a few moments to spare, I rummage through my old correspondence and laugh heartily over some of the foolish things I have said. But funnier still is to pick up one of the many letters I received from American social-patriots at the time we entered the war. All of them, in the light of recent happenings, are crammed with inconsistencies and saturated with bad socialism.

Consider, for instance, the following from Dan Hogan. He is defending his pro-war attitude in reply to a criticism I sent him:

"The goal of the socialist movement is industrial democracy. To

their industrial liberty, but until their right to build is established and their right to evolve is secured, they cannot go forward."

We will overlook the fact that after this wondrous war to rescue the fair damsel of democracy from the ravishing hands of the kaiser, we still have dozens of small nations denied the most elementary privilege of a democratic commonwealth—the right to be heard in the councils of government. We will also not stop to discuss the fact that four nations have arrogated to themselves the right of dictating the kind of a world all the remainder shall live in. The essential point which Comrade Hogan missed is this: that political democracy is a sham affair in this stage of the world's history. We have had it in America since the birth of the nation, and industrial autocracy constantly tightens its grip on the lives of the people. And political agitation, by itself, is insufficient because the press is under the rigid control of the moneyed interests and the masses cannot be educated for the overthrow of industrial autocracy under our impotent form of bourgeois democracy. This fact was proved very graphically by the experience of Russia.

"The Allies are too completely committed to the principles of democracy to back down. After the war is over, if we all do our duty, there will not be left a vestige of autocracy on the earth."

Well, the war is over, and what is the result? The result is that autocracy, in the form of international imperialism, has simply retrenched itself, uselessly slaughtering ten million young men in the process. In our own United States, we do not have as much democracy as we had before we entered the war.

Socialists who were well grounded, who had studied the imperialistic phases of modern capitalism, who refused to be moved by surface motion and current jingoism, knew what the result inevitably would be. They refused to be stampeded into the slaughter. They preferred the penitentiary to the course of either overtly or covertly supporting an imperialistic war. Comrade Hogan and others were chloroformed by the seductive phraseology and ideology of the capitalist class and persuaded to encourage a purely anti-working class butchery.

The world war has left no legacy of good to the world. True, it has broken about conditions that are making for world revolution. But these conditions make necessary a bitter and bloody revolution which could very largely have been averted if the world war had not occurred. The gains of the war are purely incidental, and would have come more satisfactorily, although more slowly, had the fratricide not taken place.

There is a great need of all socialists clearing their minds of cant and muddy thinking. Imperialism—called by Lenin the final stage of capitalism—has entered a period characterized by terrible international wars. These wars represent the struggle of capitalist privilege to retain its hold on the world. It is in reality a death struggle. It is to be expected that groups of imperialists will show their respective countries into war by clothing their sinister purposes with ideological garb. But in none of these wars can the workers participate without contributing to the aggrandizement of burgeoning imperialism.

We must have an educated party of socialists whose revolutionary purposes will not be swayed by bourgeois sentimentality. The Socialist party must continue its magnificent stand on war and militarism; but it must do more—it must see that its membership is thoroughly acquainted with the nature and tendencies of capitalism so that they will be ready for all crises and emergencies.

Dan Hogan happened to have a soul a trifle too sensitive to the purring slogans of imperialism.

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NEXT WEEK

Next week we shall publish an article by Jos. Stilson, translator secretary of the Lithuanian Socialist Federation, and one of the best posted Socialists upon party affairs. The article will be entitled "The Split in the Socialist Party of America," and will give a history of party mismanagement since 1916, which led up to the present controversy.

To those who have not followed the present controversy as they should, this article will be a revelation and an education. It is written for party members, members who are and should take full part in party management. Your usefulness to the party will be increased manifold after you have read Stilson's history of the split in the Socialist Party.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DEFIES AUTOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY OFFICIALDOM

The State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania met in session recently and passed the following resolutions. At this time we want to say that the only news which seems to find its way into the national office press service is that which can be interpreted as favorable to the despotic seven of the national executive committee. A resolution like that below, is not given publicity by the national office.

WHEREAS—The State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania is in receipt of an official communication from Adolph Gormer, Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party, informing said committee of the suspension by the National Executive Committee of the

COMMENT ON "LEFT WING PROGRAM"

Political or purely parliamentary action can never destroy the capitalist system. This will have to be accomplished by the workers on the job, in field, mine, factory, and distribution, by mass action of industrial unionism. I will give two instances of efforts of people to gain industrial freedom, as illustrations.

In Mexico there was a revolution to recover the land, return it to its rightful owners—those who even then were farming it. For a time there were two leaders in the north, Francisco Villa and Carranza. In the south there was another leader, Zapata. All claimed to be working for the same end—the return of the land to the farmer.

After a time there arose a difference between the two leaders of the north, not a fundamental difference of principle, but a difference as to method of procedure, of tactics. The difference was as to how and when the land was to be returned. Carranza wished to wait until the revolution (political) was won; until the old political regime was destroyed. He would then call an election, political, in which all the supporters of the old order could vote and hold office, after which a congress duly elected would be convened to decide how and when the land would be returned to the people (if at all). Pancho Villa wished to confiscate and divide the great landed estates as the revolution progressed from time to time and place to place. Villa said, "We know what we want, why not get it while we have the means at hand?" In this case the military forces were composed of workers who wanted land. Why wait for political decrees that may never issue, says Villa. "At best it will take a year or two after the success of the revolution to convene a congress. This congress may or may not be committed to land division. The best we can expect of this congress is to debate the issue for two or three years more (as is the custom of congresses) and in the meantime the people are without land and consequently without bread." Then, too, says Villa, "The division of the land is the strongest arm of the revolution. The greatest assurance of its success. It weakens the forces of the enemy and gives prestige to the revolution." Says Villa: "If we must have political action of our acts, let the congress convene after the revolution sanction what has been done; place their 'rubber stamp' of approval upon it after the manner of capitalist congresses. Carranza won. Result: After four years of control by Carranza and three years of the new congress, but few of the great landed estates have been touched. The people are still 'landless and breadless.'"

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parliamentary (parlor) action. They had no political rights. They were serfs. They knew only force. It was their only weapon. They used it. They, too, knew what they wanted—the land. They banished the "feudal lord," foreigner and all, as they went, took possession of the land, tilled it and kept the proceeds. Today there is not a landlord in the whole ninety thousand square miles of Zapotoland, but thousands of "lords of the land"—happy, contented farmers.

Democracy, too, is practiced in this land of Zapata, though it is said ninety per cent of the people can neither read nor write. How practice democracy, then? By the very simple formula of assembling, discussing the questions to be decided, and then counting noses. No stuffing of ballot-boxes there.

Neither Zapata nor Villa could, at that time, read or write. Carranza is highly educated in the general sense of that term, and might be classed as a "capitalistic idealist." Who of these was the most practical from the workers'—landless farmers—point of view?

The strongest weapon of the workers in capitalistic civilization, for transforming it into an industrial commonwealth, or democracy, is their industrial power exercised through revolutionary industrial unions, by means of shop and central committees elected by the workers to expedite business, assume control, and dispose of the product. This, in connection with a similar political party of the workers to capture and render ineffective the capitalist political state, the sole weapon of capitalism which would prevent the functioning of the workers' committees, could complete the transformation with little or no disorder.

T. E. PENDERGRASS, State Organizer, S. P. of N. M. County Jail, Deming, N. M., March 10, 1919.

BISHOP BROWN ANSWERS EDITOR'S CHARGE

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though they produce everything have scraps of food, shoddy for clothing and shacks for shelter, and with those below who, though they do not produce anything have the choice of everything, the best foods, the finest clothes, the luxurious houses, I am indeed a bolshevist, yet not an anarchist.

The representation that I or Socialists generally would operate against those below with the bomb and dagger is slanderously wrong. We would not even make an effort to keep those whom such a revolution should put below from crawling up to work and eat, but they would be prevented from going again into their old business of robbing and enslaving.

"The Russian revolutionists are as fully justified as the American revolutionists were; and, to a great extent, their justification might have been our declaration of independence; but they formulated their own which is superior to ours, because it provides that henceforth Russians shall be a classless people, as Americans are not.

CIVILIZATION DEPENDS UPON SUCCESS OF SOVIET RUSSIA.

"If the new Russian government, the first real republic, lives, it means the living of the world, the Hungarian one, also the birth and life of others, and finally a league of industrial nations which will mean the death of the league of capitalistic nations.

"Upon this living and dying depends the progress of civilization, because the uncivilized yet supremely important mission of the capitalist system of production has been accomplished, that of making it possible to provide the necessities for the world without human slavery.

MACHINE, NOT MAN, FUTURE SLAVE.

"Civilization never has and never can exist on any basis except that of slavery; but capitalism has brought it to a point when it is no longer necessary that the slave should be a man, for it may now be a machine and the pending revolution will transfer the burden of slavery from men to machines.

"Under the Socialist regime there would indeed be much work connected with the making and operating of the machines of production and distribution of the necessities of life, also the work of caring for and educating children, with much besides, but every competent person would take his part; and, while on the one hand incompetency would be decreased greatly, on the other efficiency would be increased as greatly, so at most three or four hours of comparatively light employment would suffice, leaving all the balance of the day for recreation, study, conversation and rest.

"Under Socialism there would be governments, but of a geographical rather than national character, and they would be concerned with the promotion of industries rather than the control of people, their object being primarily the production of the necessities of physical life in abundance and secondarily as many luxuries as possible for all with the least expenditure of energy and time, in order that disposition, strength and opportunity might remain for the cultivation of the mind and soul.

"Under Socialism there would be religion, but of a natural rather than supernatural character, and its chief concern would be the promotion of the morality which consists in the

state and county organizations, and that they hereby are entitled to purchase dues stamps and enjoy all the rights and privileges accorded branches under the state constitution. This means that the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania frankly refuses to obey the arbitrary rules of the national office which demanded that state secretaries refuse to sell dues stamps to branches suspended by the national executive committee. The resolution does not recognize the right of the national executive committee to suspend or expel any subdivision of the party not chartered by the national executive committee. Language branches in states are chartered by either the state or local organizations and only those have power to suspend or revoke such charters. We are anxious to learn what the despotic national executive committee will do now that the Socialists of Pennsylvania have defied it. Will Pennsylvania also be expelled?

SOVIET REGIME TO RULE

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to be on friendly terms with the raiders and that the Prince of Wales was patronizing the poor. "The king is playing with the radicals," White continued, "and his associates now are people who could not possibly have been seen within the royal circle before the war. The radical labor groups with which he is playing present a situation just as though President Wilson had taken up with Eugene Victor Debs and his associates. As an indication of the present situation in England, he said the Baltic, which was to have sailed on June 5, was held up 21 days because of four successive strikes, all of which were won by the men. "These men," said White, "who fought in the trenches and were told they were fighting for democracy, now intend to see that they get democracy, and they will get it." It was his opinion that when the bloodless revolution triumphs, the king will continue to keep his place, but will be deprived of any power he may have. He would continue to

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MR. WILSON RETURNS.

From the mummy and solemn farce of the peace conference President Wilson has returned to assure us of the unquestioned righteousness of the policies formulated in the peace treaty and the League of Nations and various other matters connected therewith, not the least among them being a re-assurance of the holy aim of this nation in entering the war and the full and complete accomplishment of them.

Mr. Wilson has a strange mind. Standing as he does, after these months of diplomatic maneuvering with an empty bag (League of Nations) which he so tightly grasps claiming that all the purposes of the nation have been accomplished he presents a picture worthy of the cartoonist.

The president has formed the habit of "interpreting the American people" to the rest of the world upon all sundry occasions. Generally his interpretations are laughable. In his speech to the senate upon his return he attempts the same upon the peoples of Europe when he states that they demanded the league and would brook no denial. No evidence that the league is a matter of consuming interest among the peoples of Europe is apparent.

We are "offered the moral leadership of the world," he states. Supply the word "financial" instead of moral, and we come nearer the truth. Mr. Wilson is great on moral leadership.

Mr. Wilson's league of nations presents the spectacle of the great capitalist powers of the world arranging among themselves a means whereby to retain their supremacy in a world wherein capitalism is no longer a necessity, in fact a menace. Recognizing the iniquity of war, it yet dare not reveal the real cause of modern wars, commercial competition between capitalistic nations.

Mr. Wilson presents nothing new in regard to the situation in Europe. In fact, the great forward movements of the peoples toward economic and political emancipation from the rulers of earth have left no mark upon him that he has seen fit to reveal. Nevertheless, these movements are of far more importance and of greater moment to the world of workers than the league of nations can possibly be. The rise of the peoples has begun, they will continue to rise completely submerging the league of nations into complete oblivion.

NEW LABOR PARTY (STILL) BORN.

Proponents of the new Labor Party meeting in Cleveland last week have adopted a platform that would have aroused interest a hundred years ago as a radical document. If those who sponsored the new political venture had planned to kill the calf-aborning, they could not have done so more effectively than they have. It was just such a convention as one would expect from the material from which it was made up. Renegade Socialists, reactionary labor fakies and others more or less since met together in a visionless, impractical and reformistic body and formulated a platform and adopted resolutions characterized by mediocrity, reaction, reform and inanity.

They may be complimented upon one clause in their platform however, which calls for a restoration of the rights of free speech, free press and assembly. Also for the "liberation of all persons held or indicted under charges due to their championship of the rights of labor or their patriotic insistence upon the rights guaranteed them by the constitution." Presumably the word "patriotic" was filled in for the purpose of getting it by the convention.

A resolution against prohibition is an indication of the backward gaze of this convention and is in striking contrast to the declarations of Seattle labor, where prohibition has been in force for two years, and where the state prohibition measure is credited with adding both reason and dignity to labor and labor's cause.

A platform declaration favoring a 6 per cent profit to industries, all above that being diverted into wages to employees, was amended to read a "fair and reasonable profit," whatever that means. So it appears that this pseudo "labor" party has safely guarded the bosses interests and the principle of the exploitation of labor by the parasites who have sucked labor's blood down through the ages.

By and large it's a great labor party.

The Seven Suspended Federations Speak Again

To the Members of the Socialist Party:

The undersigned, the translator secretaries of the seven suspended federations, issued a statement, dated June 2, setting forth the facts of an effort by the national executive committee to disrupt the party rather than accept the mandate of the membership for a new party policy.

A referendum has been initiated to set aside these ruthless acts of party destruction; namely, (1) the expulsion from the party of the state of Michigan, (2) the suspension of the seven federations, and (3) the refusal to tabulate the referendum votes, thereby keeping the newly elected officials out of control. Seconds are asked for this referendum.

At this time the national office is circulating all the locals, urging them not to support this referendum. The N. E. C. saw fit to criticize the federations because recommendation was made by some of their executive bodies of candidates in the party elections who were known to be in favor of uniting the party with the Communist International. This was simply open support of a policy of revolutionary socialism, and an attempt to supply information and guidance in regard to a list of candidates unknown to a non-English-speaking membership. Now the N. E. C. itself assumes to advise the members how to vote on a crucial matter and it does this entirely on the basis of private information not yet subjected to any investigation.

Of course, that these federations are committed to the left wing position in the party, is freely and gladly admitted. But there have been certain assertions and insinuations with regard to the party elections and the referendum voting which came before the N. E. C. in form of a speech by a man by the name of Gerber, from New York, and that is the whole case so far as the N. E. C. is informed.

As a matter of fact, the only "irregularity" about the party elections was that the reactionary officials of the party were defeated by tremendous majorities. Of the suspended federations, two had taken no official action in relation to the election. The others, through their regular execu-

tive bodies—though the charge is brought against the translator-secretaries—recommended the election of candidates committed to the left wing program. Information was given as to the names being unknown to many of our non-English-speaking comrades. As to the ballots, some of the federation branches received none and many of the federation branches could not obtain nearly enough for their membership, so that recourse was had, in some instances, to voting on slips of paper. Otherwise there was, no doubt, some secretarial assistance given to members who could not read or write English, and it seems that something criminal is to be made out of this. But the fact is that the only real difference between the federation votes and those of other branches was that there was a better agreement among the federation members in support of the left wing candidates. That is the sum total of the criminality in the elections.

Since our previous statement, we learned of the first steps in a deliberate effort on the part of the party officialdom to destroy our federations. Firing the federation secretaries out of the party headquarters shows the true character of the "suspensions." Now we learn of various attempts to "re-organize" branches within the federations—attempts to use the ousted "social patriots" as scabs in order to make an appearance of opposition within the federations to our stand for revolutionary socialism.

Traitor elements are being welcomed back into the party. It need not surprise the party membership if the Polish and Czech-Slovak nationalistic groups, which left the party on account of the St. Louis platform, now come back as the faithful supporters of the reactionary officialdom. Diplomatic "conversations" have begun, and such an alliance would be in perfect accord with the fundamental attitude of the N. E. C. Of the seven who voted to suspend the federations, four were themselves among the "social patriots," and the three Centrists who joined with them have shown their inability to respond to the revolutionary spirit of the over-

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"KICKED OUT"

The Socialist Party of Massachusetts has just been "kicked out" of the national organization by the despotic national executive committee. The reason given is because the Left Wing program was endorsed at its recent state convention. The party autocrats argue that endorsing the Left Wing program is a violation of the national constitution in that it amounts to the adoption of a platform not in conformity with the national platform of the party.

We want to give this assertion the "lie" and finally bury it so effectively so that not another party member can be fooled by it. The Left Wing program is, in the first place, NOT A PARTY PLATFORM. It is NOT AT ALL INTENDED for propaganda purposes among the rank and file of the Socialist Party and is simply a program in which is stated in clear and definite terms the kind of tactics and principles the Socialist Party must adopt if it is to be a true Socialist organization and not a Scheidemann party, a traitor party.

Asserting that the Left Wing program and its endorsement is a violation of the Socialist Party platform IS A LIE. The Left Wing program endeavors only to show the party membership the way to that kind of Socialist action which will mean victory for the workers as in Russia and not defeat for the workers as in Germany.

The real intention, the real purpose of the despotic national executive committee in expelling and suspending these tens of thousands of members is to CONTROL THE COMING NATIONAL CONVENTION. It will work this way: Representation to the national convention is based upon last year's membership in each state. Michigan, one of the expelled states, will have six delegates at the convention. Now that Michigan is expelled, these six delegates will be elected, not by the thousands of members who paid dues last year and should be represented, but probably by about 150 members which the national office will recognize at the state organization in Michigan.

Massachusetts is entitled to 14 delegates. These delegates will now be elected, not by the Massachusetts membership which paid dues last year, but by a few branches representing very few members which agree to the action of the despotic national executive committee. In other words, every time a state is expelled the despotic national executive committee captures its national convention delegates because it recognizes that state from those Socialists who stand for the acts of the party autocrats.

New York state has been captured in this way. However in this

state a reactionary state and city executive committee expelled all Left Wing locals and the despotic national executive committee spared the job of expelling the state organization. New York has 32 delegates to elect for the national convention. The party members will readily see just what the nefarious plans of the despots are, in the light of this information. Before the national convention meets Ohio and Washington state will probably also be expelled. Washington endorsed the Left Wing program by a referendum vote. Ohio endorsed the Left Wing program at its recent state convention. The result of it all will be that the despotic national executive committee that its dupes will exercise judgment upon its own acts at the national convention, will O. K. these acts and manipulate the convention so as to make it impossible for the rank and file to voice its sentiments.

It has already planned to deny the rank and file to voice its disapproval of the acts of the national executive committee in that nearly half of the party by holding up the call for a national referendum upon these acts, which call has been seconded by locals and branches representing more than 10,000 members, enough members to carry the referendum. Never in the experience of Socialists has the party, since its organization has been shamed and despised acts been perpetrated upon the rank and file of the party as these of the despotic national executive committee. Shall the Socialist Party be wrecked by these autocrats? It is for you to answer.

It is for you to answer. PENNSYLVANIA ON THE CARPET The state organization to be elected by the autocratic national executive committee? From communications at hand the decks are being cleared for just such action.

The state executive committee of Pennsylvania refused to dance to the music of the party despots, denying that the national executive committee had the right to suspend language federation branches from the party. Also, the Pennsylvania state executive committee seems to have decided in favor of the great majority of Left Wing Socialists in a controversy in Philadelphia, rather than in favor of a few "right wingers" who were trying to overturn the will of the majority of the Philadelphia membership. In deciding in favor of the Left Wing Socialists in Philadelphia the Pennsylvania state executive committee committed "rank treason" in the eyes of the despots of the party, and now Pennsylvania is being "investigated" and undoubtedly will then be "kicked out." Pennsylvania will elect 17 delegates to the national convention. Undoubtedly the party despots have decided that this delegation must also be captured for their use.

Otto Branstetter was sent into Michigan to reorganize that state for the party despots. He returned to the national office with a report that a local of seven members was the only result of his trip, the English locals and branches being a unit in their opposition to the tyrannical rule of the national executive committee.

ATTENTION TO THIS CAUTION. The national secretary, knowing that he is carrying on a losing fight and realizing that he lacks argument, is beginning to indulge in personalities. He has several times up to now called the national office "a party" and "a group of persons." He was discharged for being Left Wing, a thief. He has called L. E. Katterfeld almost everything he could lay his tongue to. We caution you not to allow an attack upon comrades, mainly personal in nature, to mislead you. Always keep in mind the principles involved in this party controversy.

A. WAGENKNECHT.

reign of terror, but says he has talked with numerous comrades and they agree that we have them among us. He might prove enlightening if he would give us the names and OCCUPATIONS of those suspicious minded comrades, one's manner of gaining a livelihood is said to influence one's way of thinking.

Germer cites as "Un-Socialistic" and heartless the fact that certain units of the party (he calls them the "amnesty convention" and asks, "Where were those revolutionary mass agitators during the war?" I admit the reputation of the amnesty convention was, possibly, a tactical blunder, as it placed the representation at such convention more surely in the hands of reactionaries. But I insist that this reputation was largely the result of resentment caused by the open attempt of the N. E. C. to prevent a National Party convention universally demanded. The allegation that Left Wing supporters did not suffer through wartime persecutions rebounds to the discredit of the maker when we remember the facts of Fraita, Wagenknecht, Ruthenberg, Stanley Clark, Emil Herman, Sam Sadler, Gene Debs, Hulet M. Wells and scores of others who are now doing time in prison, or, having done their bit, are now out and waging an uncompromising fight for working class domination. (Email Herman from his prison cell, repudiates the autocracy of the N. E. C. He demands to be recorded as voting NO on their every un-constitutional action, and protests their disorderly conduct in counting him as "present" in order to make up a quorum with the "White" "expose" have been totally discredited as being rank reactionaries.)

Continuing his effort at infernal character assassination of the Left Wing he says, of Orchard, "He practiced what he preached." That Orchard ever preached anything will be surprising news to the old timers whose memory he invokes. Orchard "confessed" many crimes, but the acquittal of Haywood, et al, was largely due to the fact that it was proved that Orchard DID NOT COMMIT the crimes to which he confessed. However, Germer admits he has no proof that the Left Wing is dominated by anarchists bent on a

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Party News and Views

ORDER NOW!

Orders for municipal platform should be placed with the state office at once. The platform referred to is that adopted at the recent state convention and which, if the referendum of the membership favor it, will be the official municipal platform of all locals entering the municipal campaigns this fall. The platform was printed in the last issue of the Ohio Socialist.

We cannot make a price at this time, but we assure you that it will be low enough so that every local can make a thorough distribution. Let us know how many thousands you can use.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

This serves as official notice to all locals that the last day for filing municipal tickets is September 4th.

Go to the board of elections at once. Get official blanks upon which to gather signatures. Secure as many signatures as you can. Make it many times the number necessary; and file these signatures and the names of your candidates BEFORE September 4th. Only 45 days left to work in. Get busy AT ONCE.

GET A BALLOT—VOTE

State referendum "A," 1919, has been mailed to all locals in Ohio. This referendum pertains to the election of a state secretary and a state executive committee. Every member is advised to attend the next local meeting, get a ballot, and vote.

Local and branch secretaries who have not received a quantity of these ballots by this time should notify the state office and the shipment will be duplicated. If you need more ballots, let us know.

State referendum "B," 1919, is in

the mails. This referendum pertains to the election of delegates to the Emergency National Convention to be held in Chicago, August 30th.

State referendum "C," 1919, is now in the hands of the printer. The balloting in this referendum will be upon the acts of the recent state convention.

REMEMBER

A. A. Hennacy in the county jail at Delaware, Ohio. A. L. Hitchcock in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Remember them. Write them a letter. Drop them a postal card.

The comrades at Cambridge will place a full ticket in the field. Local Youngstown has begun its municipal campaign, Secretary Catlin already being busy writing for speakers.

ORGANIZER WANTED

The state secretary of Minnesota desires a competent organizer for a month's work. Address Chas. Dirba, 217 Hennepin ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

Mary G. Waters, literature agent of Local E, Liverpool, has ordered a selection of pamphlets on sale at the state office. Very good sign. More literature agents have awakened to their duties within the last month than for several years past.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

All money derived from the sale of special national convention assessment stamps must be sent to the state office. This by order of the state convention. This applies to language locals and branches as well as English locals.

Say, Comrade Member at Large, how about your dues? Paid up?

Local Fremont makes inquiries about engaging a speaker. Socialists will carry on a warm municipal campaign in Fremont.

RESOLUTIONS CONDEMNING NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PASSED BY LOCAL DEMING, NEW MEXICO

To the members of the Socialist Party throughout the United States:

Whereas, through the minutes of the national executive committee, carefully read and digested by us, we find that upwards of 40,000 dues paying members of the Socialist Party have been expelled from the party on what appears to us to be flimsy grounds, and

Whereas, these 40,000 comrades were given no trial whatsoever nor any opportunity to admit nor deny any charges against them;

Whereas, on the face of available returns from the referendum for national executive committee, it appears that the present members of the N. E. C. who voted for this expulsion were themselves defeated for re-election, and

Whereas, the whole state of Michigan was included in this wholesale expulsion with approximately 6,000 members, and

Whereas, a deliberate attempt is being made by the N. E. C. through their refusal to count the ballots of referendum B and C, to defeat the will of the membership and to prevent the Socialist party from taking its proper place in the Third International called for by the Russian Communist (Bolshevik) party, and in which is included the Hungarian Communist, German Spartacists, Italian Socialist Party and specifically called for the participation of the elements of the Socialist Party represented by Comrade Eugene V. Debs, and therefore be it

Resolved, that we condemn in emphatic terms this plain attempt on the part of those members of the N. E. C. who represented nothing more nor less than the Scheidemann-Ebert-Kerensky petty bourgeois Socialism to lineup our party with the reactionaries above mentioned and to betray the Russian and Hungarian revolutions, and to endanger the working classes in every other country, and be it further

Resolved, that we demand that the complete vote as cast on referendums B and C be at once tabulated and published and that both the old N. E. C. and the new N. E. C. meet with the delegates to the national convention to settle all claims to their respective offices, and be it further

A LETTER FROM KNECHT

Dear Comrade: The affairs of the comrades of Guernsey county are rounding well into shape for an active campaign prior to the election of November. The eleventh annual picnic of the county organization will be held Sunday, August 10, and the comrades are looking forward to the biggest day in the history of the Socialist movement in this locality. Everywhere the people are expressing their contempt for the city official of Cambridge and the police for their attempt to prevent free speech for Socialists in this city. An effort is being made to organize a company of state militia here, and the manufacturers, petty politicians and business men are very active in organizing a "board of trade" in the class struggle, and sufficient evidence that the plutes are recognizing their increasing power. Of course the old system is doomed to die, but we may expect the parasite class to cling to the last shred of its existence. At our county picnic we will have a press fund committee, whose duty it shall be to solicit funds for the printing press.

HERBERT KNECHT.

There are several strikes on at Piqua. Eight hundred men at the Favorite Stove and Range Co. are out. Strikers are joining the Workers' International Industrial Union by the hundreds. Socialist Mayor Hamilton is lending what assistance he can.

Portsmouth local has decided to place a municipal ticket in the field. There are good chances of winning the city in this Ohio river town.

MASSILLON SOCIALISTS.

Secretary Nick Weltlich desires your co-operation for the purpose of placing a municipal ticket in the field. Attend the next meeting and prove yourself not yet ready for the embalmer.

The best thing you can do every day is to do a little for Socialism. Do this RIGHT NOW—PAY YOUR DUES.

Walter Conradic has been elected literature agent and reporter for Local New Bremen. His first act was to secure a list of pamphlets for sale at the state office.

How about the literature agent of your local? Is he filling his office with credit? Does he have recent local meeting with pamphlets and books for sale?

Herbert Knecht orders 200 "Crimes of the Bolsheviks" to sell at the Guernsey County picnic, August 10th. Frank Martin will be one of the speakers at this outing and an effort is being made to secure Chas. Baker also. A special attempt will be made to get contributions for the press fund.

H. A. Hedden, of Michigan, will represent the Ohio Socialist at the national convention, August 30th.

Three new Polish socialist branches have just been organized in Ohio, one each at Youngstown, Maynard, and Fairpoint.

Tom Clifford filled three speaking engagements in Louisville, Ky., on July 12th and 13th.

BIG FOURTH AT VINCENNES, IND.

The citizens of Vincennes, Ind., were educationally entertained on July 4th by a debate between E. Underhill, socialist, and the other side of the socialist, two to one. Comrade Underhill was an intimate friend of the Comrade Knight who organized the first socialist local in Indiana.—J. Hartsberg.

Wm. M. Brown has favored the state office with a remittance of \$125.00 for many months past, asking us to use the money for whatever purposes we deem best. At present we are placing it in the press fund.

DEBS GOES TO PRISON

Upon the cover a picture of Debs taken while he was asleep upon an interurban car between Steubenville and Wheeling. The long, arduous trip completely exhausted him and he fell sound asleep in his seat and slept for more than an hour. The contents of the book is written by David Karstner, who, together with J. Louis Engdahl and A. Wagenknecht, accompanied Debs to the Moundsville penitentiary. Karstner, in a very "human interest" way, describes this trip to prison taken by America's foremost socialist. It is the best reading we have recommended for some time. Buy one or more. For one pamphlet, 25c. Twelve or more at 18c each. Order now, before you forget.

PICNIC—PICNIC

Have you held yours yet? Youngstown, Seneca county, Akron, Ashland, Guernsey county, Cleveland, Columbus, E. Liverpool, Warren, and other locals have had or are going to have a picnic. Suggest a PICNIC at the next meeting of your local.

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 First Sunday of Each Month at 2 P. M.

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.

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

LOCAL SANDUSKY
Socialist Party of Ohio
Meets First and Third Wednesday, Each Month, 7:30 P. M.
FUCHS HALL
Cor. Monroe and Fulton Sts.

LOCAL TOLEDO
Meets every Tuesday evening, except the first Tuesday after the first Sunday. General party meeting first Sunday each month, 8 p. m., 213 Michigan St.

LOCAL COLUMBUS
Socialist Party of Ohio
Meets Every Thursday, 8 P. M.
Hall 50½ W. Gay Street

SOCIALIST PARTY OF AMERICA, 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.
SOCIALIST HALL
88 High St., Third Floor.

Local Canton of the SOCIALIST PARTY
Meets Every Thursday at 7:30 P. M., at Socialist Headquarters, 328 Tuscarawas St., E.

LOCAL NILES
Socialist Party of Ohio
Meets every 2d and 4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 p. m.
Study Class every Sunday, 10 a. m.
Debate and social every Sunday, 7:30 p. m.
MASONIC HALL
164 N. Chestnut St.

Branch
Meets Tiffin Every Wednesday, 8 P. M.
No. 98½ Washington St.

New Mexico Bulletin

W. E. Dillon, State Secretary, Albuquerque, N. M.

Comrades of New Mexico: After repeated efforts to induce you to nominate for state officials...

Local Carrizozo nominated S. Parks of Las Cruces as an executive committee member...

State Executive Committee—W. P. Metcalf, Albuquerque; T. E. Pendergrass, Weed; Dan Kelly, Duran; W. P. Calkins, Weed; L. R. Graves, Deming.

State Organizer—Frank J. Ashe, Carrizozo. Woman's Correspondent—Mrs. S. M. Calkins, Deming.

State Secretary—W. B. Dillon, Box 574, Albuquerque. If those of you who had no choice in the selection of this official family don't like any of their faces...

Seriously though, comrades, I do not believe that anyone in this state will be disappointed in the selection of these comrades to represent you. Some of these comrades are new to you...

Comrade Frank J. Ashe, state organizer, will be open for dates very soon and I request that you notify me at once when and how many times you can use him...

Here is a letter I received today from an Indian comrade and his wife. In Oklahoma in 1908 I met Indians of his type but the New Mexico Indians that I have met are generally the fat, lazy breed...

This letter is refreshing and illuminating emanating from one of our comrades whose ancestors roamed this country long before the white grafters made a capitalist heaven...

Dear Comrade Dillon: Enclosed find check for \$2 for a six months sub to the Ohio Socialist, and the

remainder for dues for myself and wife. We are old Indian Territory Indians, and will move our children to the forests of Venezuela next winter...

Well, I wish I could go where I could raise my own grub and could tell the tailors to go to—you know. We wish you every kind of happiness...

Darned if I ain't beginning to be ashamed of my American compatriots. It seems that every country under the sun except the U. S. A. is looking upward and onward...

This report goes to you during the time of the greatest crisis in our party history. The N. E. C. has thrown out of the party something like 40,000 members without a trial...

Personally, I condemn without equivocation this act of the N. E. C. as the most arbitrary and despicable act in its history...

Whereas, the national executive committee has suspended foreign federations with a membership variously estimated from 25,000 to 36,000, and

Whereas, we believe that the expulsion of the above mentioned language federations was prompted by the national executive committee's desire to interfere with the election of the proper delegates to the coming emergency national convention...

Whereas, the aforementioned act of the national executive committee is an attempt at party treason inasmuch as said act is an attempt to break the unity of the party and therefore weaken our attacks upon the master class...

Therefore be it resolved, that we, Local Louisville, in regular business session June 7th, 1919, do hereby express our most emphatic protest against this dastardly attempt to disrupt the party and divide our strength before the enemy...

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the national executive committee and to the Ohio Socialist for publication.

Local Louisville Kentucky Calls Acts of N. E. C. Traitorous

FINANCIAL REPORT. March Receipts. Chess Carpenter and wife. \$ 2.00 \$1.00

April Receipts. Local Carrizozo. \$ 9.90 \$1.00

May Receipts. S. M. Calkins and wife. \$ 5.00 \$1.00

March Expenditures. National office. \$ 5.00 \$5.00

April Expenditures. National office. \$ 5.00 \$7.15

May Expenditures. National office. \$ 5.00 \$1.00

A Dough-Boy Ditty

Favorite song of the American Army of Occupation, somewhere in Germany. (Air, "Silver Threads Among the Gold.")

"Darling, I am coming back— Silver threads among the black— Now that peace in Europe nears, I'll be home in seven years."

Class lines are being drawn so tightly nowadays, comrades, that to attempt to blur them only confuses the issue.

Remember, that compromise spells disaster. Remember Kerensky in Russia and Scheidemann in Germany.

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THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF A STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND A STATE SECRETARY FOR THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF OHIO, IS NOW IN PROGRESS.

NEVER TOO LATE. Expressing the hope that he is not too late to help, Comrade Chas. Hames of Toledo contributes a dollar to the press fund.

ONE SENTENCE SERMONS. Uncle Lark has a peculiar way of snatching a truth and driving it in with a thunderbolt.

DO YOU KNOW HIM? He clasped his hands and he laughed in glee.

ROLL CALL FOR MAY. If your local does not appear in this roll call ask your secretary why.

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SNAPPY SAYINGS FROM PRESS FUND CONTRIBUTORS

"I enclose check for \$6.20. This is the second installment from our collection box which we are donating to the press fund.

FROM A CONSTANT BOOSTER. Three dollars from himself and two from friends for the press fund is what Comrade V. Topov of St. Louis sends in.

MORE IF NEEDED. A dollar and fifty cents comes from Comrade Alex Van Gundy of Cheyenne, Wyo.

FROM A MICHIGAN REBEL. One of our best boosters in Michigan is Comrade E. Vanderost of Kalamazoo.

KEEP POWER WITH RANK AND FILE. "We must never allow the power to fall from the rank and file," writes Comrade M. A. Mann of Oneonta, N. Y.

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A FEW MORE BOOSTS. "Enclosed find a few more boosts to help us along the way," writes Comrade Mrs. Fred L. Thompson.

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THE SEVEN SUSPENDED

whelming mass of the party membership. Unless the party members act quickly and decisively to rebuke these actions of the N. E. C., there will be some degree of confusion within the federation ranks.

We warn our federation members against withdrawal from their present organizations. We are confident that the members of all other locals and federations will vote for our quick re-instatement.

ANOTHER LOCAL HELPS. Local Sandusky, O., is another of our locals that has flung itself into the work of pushing the press fund.

MORE FOR THE SAME GOOD CAUSE. A second donation of three dollars, making eight so far, is what Comrade K. W. Boring of Wellsville, O., sends us.

LOCAL SPRINGFIELD HELPS. Comrade W. E. Crowell, secretary of Local Springfield, O., sends us \$15.50 for the press fund.

AND NOW WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS? It seems that there is no end to the many plans which comrades and locals are putting across to raise funds for the party printing press.

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2. Nominations of candidates in municipalities with a population of MORE than 2,000 must be made by petition, signed by at least 1 percent of the electors who voted at the last preceding election.

3. Nominations for candidates for school boards in municipalities with a population of MORE than 2,000 must be made by petition, signed by at least 1 percent of the electors voting at the next preceding SCHOOL ELECTION must be secured.

4. Petitions must be filed with the deputy board of state supervisors of elections NOT LESS than 60 days previous to the day of election.

5. A committee of five to fill vacancies shall be named in the petitions.

6. Petitions must contain a provision that the signer will support and vote for the candidates thereon.

7. Signatures must be written upon petition in ink or indelible pencil.

8. One of the signers of a petition must make oath before a notary public that statements contained therein are true.

9. Petitions can be secured from the election board in your city.

10. Petitions should ALWAYS be filed ahead of time, that is, more than 60 days before the date of election, in order to avoid delay in case objections are made to signatures and so that you have enough time to secure additional signatures.

11. Petitions should always contain MORE NAMES than required in order that you may be sure that you have enough genuine signatures.

12. For further information of any kind about nomination of candidates by petition, see your board of elections.

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