Capital and Labor Testify in Communist Trial

Duncan Retutes Hanson's Story of Red Terror in Seattle General Strike

members of the Communist Labor having said.

Party here. The court ruled against the defense after hearing arguments which the people of Seattle and that we (all

Seattle Central Labor Council, appeared in the courtroom this afternoon the court's rulings on these objections

He testified that all industries were shut down completely after the strike order was issued, that he witnessed a funeral in which the hearse bore a sign stating that it moved with per-mission of the strike council. But he failed to prove that force or violence had been used. His nearest approach to this was a quotation of Walker Smith. officer of the general strike committee, who said, the witness testified, "that the workers mus contro lall industry, that they must avoid bloodshed if possible, must control the government peacefully if possible but by force if

Attack upon the Illinois Anti-An-Attack upon the Illinois Anti-An-archism statute marked the trial on Saturday. William S. Forrest, counsel for defense, arguing against admission of evid-nec concerning the Scattle and Winnipeg general strikes, declared the law was drafted "by a member of the legislature who did it to please the people who hired him to do it?"

people who hired him to do it."

Forrest maintained that all terms of the law-"force, violence or other unlawful means"-are synonymous, that the state must prove that the defend ants conspired to commit acts of violence and that evidence as to Seattle Winnipeg did not tend toward that end. He argued that overt acts, such as those strikes, could not be admitted because they tended only to prove that the conspiracy charged had been enlarged, not that the conspiracy had been effected by them.

mayor of Seattle, recently Chautanona "red" baiter, went on the witness stand here to prove that the Seattle general strike was an attempt to overthrow the government by force, vio-lence and other unlawful means. This

is how he proceeded: Testifying about a meeting of the strike executive committee which he attended on the eve of the strike, he

| said that the strike leaders, Hulet M Staff Correspondent—The Federated Wells, Anna Louise Strong, Bert Swain, Leon Green and Phil Pearl, urged him to turn over the municipally owned

CHICAGO, JULY 19.—Evidence concerning the general strike at Seattle,
Wash., was admitted today by Judge
Oscar Hebel into the trial of twenty

to turn over the municipally owned electric lighting plant to the strikers.

"The plant belongs to us, and we're willing to operate it if you turn it over the municipally owned electric lighting plant to the strikers.

defense after hearing arguments which lasted throughout Saturday and almost all of this morning.

This paved the way for the appearance of Harry J. Wilson, secretary of the Soldiers, Sailors and Workmen's Council of Seattle. He will be followed by Ole Hanson, former mayor of the jurors was all spoiled by Forrest, Seattle James Turcen president of the weight in the people of Seattle and that we (all the people) were going to run it.''

Thus Ole Hanson did not deliver the Chautauqua lecture on "Bolshevish versus Americanism" which he had come prepared to give. The psychological effect of his testimony upon the jurors was all spoiled by Forrest, who interrunted him at almost eversus. Seattle. James Duncan, president of the who interrupted him at almost every and William Forrest, counsel for Wil- -almost invariably in favor of the liam Bross lLoyd, announced that he state-that the defense plans to base would testify for the defense on the seattle strike.

Wilson, who says that his like is not July 21st.—James Duncan, testifying

Seattle strike.

Wilson, who says that his like is not safe in Seattle, painted a lurie picture of what a general strike means. He said he heard Hulet M. Wells, now in prison for violation of the Espionage law, declare at a meeting preceeding the strike:

""I'm a Bolshevist and I'm proud Workmen's Council, on important "I'm a Bolshevist and I'm proud of it! I have only one flag, that of my fellow men dyed red by the blood of Presi."

Duncan followed immediately Ol Hanson, who was the last witness for the state. Counsel for defense waived the right of preliminary argument and mmediately produced Duncan.

Mayor Hanson had testified that the strike had been called to overthrow the government of Seattle. Duncan' testimony will establish that it was called to back up the shipyards workers who were out for a 10 per cent in crease in wages.

Wilson, the spy, said that the Sol diers Sailors and Workmen's Counci had been organized to police the city in behalf of the general strike. Duncan said, point blank, that it had no part in managing the strike. Special Prosecutor Comerford, argu-

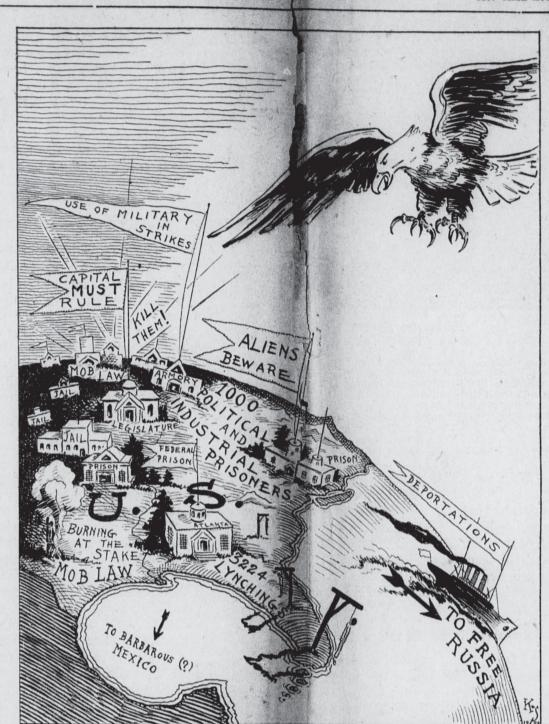
ing for admission of evidence on th Scattle situation, painted a lurid pic tare of a city deprived of all its utilities by dictatorship of the proletariat Duncan stated that there had been less disorder during the strike than ever before.

And as to the use of force, Duncan testified as follows: First he related a conversation h had with the mayor and other officials two days before the general strike. He

said: "Our talk was principally as to lighting. Mr. Hanson said to me, 'Jim lights. I need those lights, Jim. Won' you be a regular fellow and give them to me. I don't give a damn about the ears, Jim, but I've got to have the July, 20th.—Ole Hanson, former lights. Come on, Jim, be a good fel-navor of Seattle, recently Chautanona low.' It was a repetition of this 'Jim im' stuff for about an hour. And I told him that I was not responsible for the lights and that I could do nothing

> "Next day," the witness continued 'I met him again. He asked me if comething couldn't be done to prevent

> > (Continued on page 2.)



Bird of Freedom -- "No roost there for me!"

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF AMERICA

its flight and pause ere it settles to rest More than a thousand still lie in these upon its once proud home From its high place it may glance downward at numberless instances of "man's inhumanity to man" as pictured there in prison, scaffold, burning pyre, suffering, want and despair, evidences of the raging class struggle.

From North to South and from East to West he will see dotting the country over, fort like bastiles in which the ruling class has imprisoned those who had the fortitude and courage of their convictions to oppose it, however in what pacific manner, and refused to shoulder arms with which to murder in cold blood men of other nations, the rulers of which were

Well may the Bird of Liberty arrest in commercial revalry with their own. dungeons. Many have died, some have gone insane what of their cruel treatment; all have suffered the torments of the damned, which they truly are. At Atlanta, lies Debs, noblest of them all, doomed to remain there until ten years have passed, or life itself, unless the political needs of the ruling class compel it to turn the key in the door and release him — or the workers arise in their might and

open the door for him. From a hundred burning pyres the shrieks of the black victims of the white man's own crimes arise to make earth (Continued on page 3.)

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I. W. W. IS POLITICAL **ORGANIZATION**

Bellingham, Wash .- The I. W. W a political organization

This was the ruling here of Judge Edward E. Hardin of the Whatcom application of the prosecuting attorney for an injunction restraining four alleged I. W. W.'s from further parganization.

The judge held that the land has yet decided that political for having listened to the cry

"The I. W. W. is an exotic from tured by centuries of oppression. It Soviets are shared by the Indians, can not live in the light of public whose awakening to freedom is being menacing proportions in this, the where something needs fixing."

prosecuting attorney was seeking the wrong method of attempting to abate the I. W. W. The injunction plan would prevent the man enjoying their right of trial by jury, he maintained.

Copenhagen, (By the Federated Press)-A dispatch from Moscow via Helsingfors received here tells of the county superior court in denying the publication in Isvestia of a wireless message sent to Nikorai Lenin by a group of leaders of the Indian revolutionists expressing the joy with ticipation in the activities of that or which India accepts the proffered hand of friendship of Soviet Russia and thanking the Bolshevist Premie parties should be restrained. Judge anguish of a people of 315,000,000. Harding in refusing to restrain the Levin replied to this message as fol-

"We rejoice to hear that the basic continental Europe where it was nur principles of the supporters of the discussion in a government which followed with sympathetic interest by provides constitutional methods of the Russian proletariat. We welcome changes to fit new conditions and if the union of the Mohammedan and it should thrive for a time and assume the non-Mohammedan elements in India, and voice the wish that all the greatest of republics, that fact would workers of the Orient will adhere to itself be evidence that somehow, some- this union in order to insure their common liberties. In such solidarity Judge Hardin also held that the lies the guarantee of victory.

TRYING ORKERS

The speech of acceptance of the Republican candidate for president indicates the policy toward the workers which the capitalists will follow in the presidential campaign that is now underway. While the Democratic candidate has not yet officially declared his acceptance of the nomination, other statements he had made before and since his nomination, show that in his attitude toward the workers he is in substantial agreement with his opponent.

It is cltar from the utterance of both candidates that the capitalist class realizes that the workers are not in a mood to be trifled with. While the lines of the class divisions are not yet clearly drawn in the political struggle in this country and the situation is not as threatening as in France, England, to say nothing of Italy, the capitalists see that a defiant attitude or any attempt at repression would quickly solidify the opposition of the workers and sharpen the character of the struggle. Their policy, therefore, is to blur the class lines and to keep up the illusion of a unity of interests between the capitalists and the workers.

The Republican candidate is for high wages. He is "ready to acclaim the highest standard of pay". But on one condition, which is that the "wageearners will give full return for the wages receivved." On that condition the workers may have anything they desire. "Full return", of course, means that the workers shall produce a goodly margin of profit for the capitalists over and above the wages they receive. As long as they do that the wages they receive will not be seriously question-

Since high wages can be paid only on this condition, the workers are urged that they must "join hand and brain in production, more production, honest production, patriotic production, because patriotic production is no less a defense of our civilization than that of armed force." How these various forms of production differ we are not informed, but one thing is certain, they all mean more profits for the class Mr. Harding represents.

The essential point in the relations between the workers and capitalists having thus been disposed of in a form that leaves the workers fine phrases to respond to and the capitalists assured good profits, the next thing is to show that there is really no reason for the workers and capitalists to fight each other. Hr. Harding "declines to recognize any conflict of interest among the participants in industry". Although at the time of Mr. Harding's statement several million railroad workers were expressing their disgust with a wage award which had just been made to them and some of them were threatening to take more decisive action, and only a few weeks before a pitched battle between striking workers and the capitalist tools raged in the streets of Bridgeport, Connecticut, Mr. Harding sticks his head in the sand and mumbles the usual platitude. Since there is no conflict of interest, he continues, both the workers and the capitalists must be good and "economic justice" will surely result.

Then comes the usual appeal to "Americanism" and our glorious institutions" under which all wrongs can be righted by orderly procedure. "The constitution contemplates no classes and recognizes no group", thunders Mr. Harding. While other men have proven that the constitution is an exceptionally cunning class document, Mr. Harding will have none of that. The constitution does not mention classes. There must be no classes. There can be no classes. All the time Mr. Harding knows that he was nominated by the capitalist class, is the candidate of the capitalist class and will loyally serve the capitalist class if he, rather than Mr. Cox, who stands in the same position, is elected president. Why two capitalist class candidates, (or three or four)? Because there are group capitalist interests to be settled in the political struggle.

Keep your mind in the old rut, workingmen, continued this mouthpiece of the capitalists. We ask nothing more of you than that you limit your effort to improve your conditions to trying to gain control of the machinery of government which we have created for our own class purposes, by going to the polls and voting for "good men". We prefer that you vote for the men whom the capitalists have selected, but if you can't quite stomach these men, you may nominate men of your own. That may be a little more troublesome, but really it doesn't make much difference, for so long as we control the means of publicity and education, you haven't much chance of electing them, and if by any chance you did, they would quickly wear themselves out trying to do something for you through the government machinery which we have created for dur own purpose.

So long as the workers are good and do only these things they can have all the freedom of beech, freedom of press and freedom of assemblage they can use. But if they are not satisfied to play the game according to the rules which the capitalists have framed for their own protection, then woe to them! Those who would "destroy our economic system" are to be stifled and crushed. Thus runs Mr. Harding's declaration.

There is, of course, nothing new in this. It is the same sort of stuff that has been handed out to the workers for many months. If the workers will keep on voting, if they will continue to lock with respect and awe upon our American institutions of government, the capitalists don't care much. They feel themselves safe and secure.

Should they, however, rely upon their own organizations, should they develop their own organs of power and teach the necessity of establishing a working class government - the Dictatorship of the Proletariat, then all the power of the capitalists will be used to mercilessly crush them.

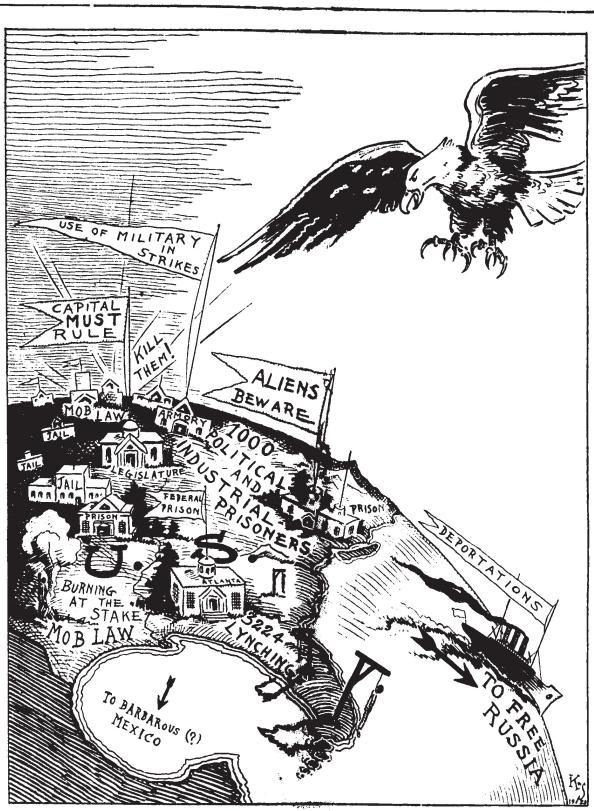
Mr. Harding has proven himself an admirable mouthpiece for the expression of the current capitalist policy, but his platitudes will have as little effeet in stopping the onrushing class confict as a pebble thrown against the waves can stop the onrushing water.

The economic forces at work in society will set the workers in this country in as sharp opposition to the capitalists as the workers of Italy are in opposition to their ruling class. All the nice phrases which Hr. Harding and Mr. Cox may utter during the presidential campaign will not stop this class conflict from growing sharper, nor will the masses of the workers be fooled much longer into believing that they can win their emancipation by such methods as the capitalists urge them to use.

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COMMUNISM THE FAMILY

- By ALEXANDRA KOLLONTIAY, -

THE MOMAN NO LONGER DEPENDENT ON THE MAN.

Will the family be maintained in the Communist State? Will it be just as it is today? That is a question which is tormenting the women of the working class, and which is likewise receiving attention from their comrades, the men. In recent days the problem has particularly been agitating all minds among the working women, and this should not astonish us: Life is changing under our very eyes; former habits and customs are gradually disappearing; the entire existence of the proletarian family is being organized in a manner that is so new, so unaccustomed, so "bizarre," as to have been impossible to foresee. That which makes women at the present day all the more perplexed is the fact that divorce has been rendered easier in Soviet Russia. As a matter of fact, by virtue of the decree of the People's Commissaires of December 18th 1917, divorce has ceased to be a luxury accessible only to the rich; henceforth the working woman will not have to petition for months, or even for years, for a separate credential entitling her to make herself independent of a brutish or drunken husband, accustomed to beat her. Henceforth, divorce may be amicably obtained within the period of a week or two at most. But it is just this ease of divorce which is a source of such hope to women who are unhappy in their married life, which simultaneously frightens other women, particularly those who have become accustomed to considering the husband as the "provider" as the only support in life, and who do not yet understand that woman must become accustomed to seek and to find this support elsewhere, no longer in the person of the man, but in the person of society, of the State.

From the Genetic Family to the Present Day.

There is no reason for concealing the truth from ourselves: the normal family of former days, in which the man was everything and the woman nothing since she had no will of her own, no money of her own, no time of her own - this family is being modified day by day; it is almost a thing of the past. But we should not be frightened by this condition. Either through error or through ignorance we are quite ready to believe that everything about us may remain immutable while everything is changing. It has always been so, and it will always be so. There is nothing more erroneous than this proverb! We have only to read how people lived in the past, and we shall learn immediately that everything is subject to change and that there are no customs, nor political organizations, nor morals, which remain fixed and inviolable. And the family in the various epochs in the life of humanity has frequently changed in form; it was once quite different from what we are accustomed to behold today. There was a time when only one form of family was considered normal, namely, the genetic family; that is to say, a family with an old mother at its head, around whom were grouped, in common life and common work, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren. The patriarchal family was also once considered the sole form; it was presided over by a father-master whose will was law for all the other members of the family; even in our days, such peasant families may still be found in Russian villages. In fact, in those places the morals and the family laws are not those of the city worker; in the country there are still a large number of customs no longer found in the family of a city proletarian. The form of the family, its customs, vary according to race. There are peoples, such as, for instance, the Turks, Arabs, Persians, among whom it is permitted by law for a husband to have many wives. There have been, and there still are at present, tribes which tolerate the contrary custom of permitting a wife to have several husbands. The habitual morality of the peresent-day man permits him to demand of a young girl that she remain a virgin until legitimate marriage; but there are tribes among whom, the woman, on the contrary, made it a matter of pride to have had many lovers, decorating her arms and legs with rings to indicate their number. - - Such practices, which could not but astonish us, practices which we might even qualify as immoral, are found among other peoples to have the sanction of holiness, peoples who in their turn consider our laws and customs to be "sinful." Therefore there is no reason for our becoming terrified at the fact that the family is undergoing a modification, that gradually the traces of the past, which have become outlived are being discarded, and that new relations are being introduced between man and woman. We have family system and what, in the relations of the working man and working woman and the peasant woman, are their respective rights and duties which would best harmonize with the conditions of life in the new Russia, in the worker's Russia which our Soviet Russia now is?



Alexandra Kollontay.

Alexandra Kolontay, Commissar of Social Alexandra Kolontay, Commissar of Social Melfare of the Russian Soviet Republic, is one of the best known women of the Revolutionary Movement. Previous to the Russian revolution she had twice toured the United States, speaking in many cities. "Communism and the Family", her latest pamphiet, will be well-comed by the Movement in this country, not only for its fine analysis of the historical development of the Family in all industrially developped countries, but also for laying out in graphic form the basic lines along which the Family of the future will develop as indicated in the new industrial life of the masses under Communism—the next step in the scale of human life. under Communism-the next step in the scale of human life.

Everything compatible with this new condition would only to ask: "What is it that has become outlived in our be maintained; all the rest, all the superannuated rubbish which has been bequeated to us by the cursed epoch of servitude and domination which was characteristic of the landed proprietors and the capitalists, all this shall be swept aside together with the exploited class itself, with these enemies of the proletariat and of

Capitalism Destroyed the Old Family Life.

The family in its present form is also simply one of the legacies of the past. Formerly solid, compact in itself, indissouble — for such was considered to be the character of marriage that had been sanctified by the priest in person — the family was equally necessary to all its members. Were it not for the family, who would have nourished, clothed and trained the children, who would have guided them in life? The orphans' lot in those days was the worst that could befall one. In the family such as we have become accustomed to it is the husband who earns and supports wife and children. The wife, on her part, is occupied with the housekeeping and the bringing up of the children, as she understands it. But already for a century this customary form of the family has been undergoing a progressive destruction in all the countries in which capitalism is dominant, in which the number of factories is rapidly growing, as well as other capitalist enterprises which employ working men. The family customs and morals are being formed simultaneously with the general conditions of the life surrounding them. What contributed most of all to change the family customs in a radical manner was without doubt the universal spread of wage labor on the part of woman. Formerly, it was only the man who was considered to be the support of the family. But for the past fifty or sixty years we have beheld in Russia (in other countries even somewhat earlier) the capitalist regime obliging women to seek remunerative work outside of the family, outside of the house.

30,000,000 Women Bearing a Double Burden.

The wages of the "providing" men being insufficient for the needs of the family, the wife in her turn found herself obliged to look for work that was paid for; the mother was obliged also to knock at the door of the factory offices. And year by year the number of women of the working class, who left their homes in order to swell the ranks of the factory, to take up work as day labourers, saleswomen, office help, washerwomen, servants, increased day by day. According to an enumeration made before the beginning of the world war, in the countries of Europe and America there were counted about sixty million women earning a living by their own work. During the war this number increased considerably. Almost half of these women are married, but it is easy to see what sort of family life they must have -a family life to which the wife and mother goes to work outside of the house, for eight hours a day, ten, if you include the trip both ways! Her home is necessarily neglected, the children grow up without and maternal care, left to themselves and all the dangerous risks of the street, in which they spend the greater part of their

time. The wife, the mother, who is a worker, sweats blood to fill three tasks at the same time: to give the necessary working hours as her husband does, in some industry or commercial establishment, then to devote herself as well as she can to her household and then also to take care of her children. Capitalism has placed on the shoulders of the woman a burden which crushes her: it has made of her a wage-worker without having lessened her cares as a housekeeper and mother. We therefore find the woman crushed under her triple, insupportable burden, forcing from her often a swiftly smothered cry of pain, and more than once causing the tears to mount to her eyes. Care has always been the lot of woman, but never has woman's lot been more unfortunate, more desperate than that of millions of working women under the capitalist yoke today, while industry is in its period of greatest expansion.

Workers Learn to Exist Without the Family Life.

The more widerspread becomes the wage labor of woman, the further progresses the decomposition of the family. What a family life, in which the man and wife work in the factory in different departments; in which the wife had not even the time to prepare a decent meal for her offspring. What a family life when father and mother out of the twenty-four hours of the day, most of which are spent at hard labor, cannot even spend a few minutes with their children! It was quite different formerly; the mother, mistress of the house, remained at home, occupied with her household duties and her children, whom she did not cease to watch with her attentive eye - today, from early in the morning until the factory whistles blow, the working woman hastens to her work and when evening has come, again, at the sound of the whistle, she hurries home to prepare the family's soup and to do the most pressing of her household duties; after an all too scant sleep, she begins on the next day her regular grind. It is a real workhouse, this life of the married working woman! There is nothing surprinsing, therefore, in the fact that under these conditions the family ties loosen and the family itself disintegrates more and more. Little by little all that formerly made the family a solid whole is disappearing, together with its stable foundation. The family is ceasing to be a necessity for its members as well as for the State. The ancient forms of the family are becoming merely a hindrance.

What is it that made the family strong in the days of old? In the first place, the fact that it was the husband and father who suported the family; in the second place, that the home was a thing equally necessary to all the members of the family; and in the third and last place, that the children were brought up by the parents. What is left of all this today? The husband, we have just seen, has ceased to be the sole support of the family. The wife, who goes to work, has become the equal of her husband in this respect. She has learned to earn her own living and often also that of her children and her husband. This still leaves us as the function of the family the bringing up and the support of the children while very young. Let us now see whether the family is not about to be relieved also even of this task just mentioned.

Household Work Ceasing to be a Necessity.

There was a time when the entire life of women in the poorer class, in the city as well as in the country, was passed in the bosom of the family. Beyond the threshold of her own house, the woman knew nothing and doubtless hardly wished to know anything. To compensate for this, she had within her own house a most varied group of occupations, of a most necessary and useful kind not only to the family itself but also to the entire state. The women did everything that is new done by any working woman or peasant woman. She cooked, she washed she cleaned the house, the went over and mended the family clothing; but she not only did that. She had also to discharge a great number of duties which are no longer done by the woman of today: she spun wool and linen; she wove cloth and garments; she knitted stockings, she made lace, and she took up, as far as her resources permitted, the pickling and smoking of preserved foods; she made beverages for the household; she moulded her own candles. How manifold were the duties of the woman of earlier times! That is how the life of our mothers and our grandmothers passed. Even in our own days, in certain remote villages way off in the country, far from the railroads and the big rivers, you may still run across little spots where this mode of life of the good old time has been preserved unchanged, in which the mistress of the house is overburdened with labors of which the working woman of the big cities and of the populous industrial regions have for a long time had no idea.

(To be continued next week)

Moscow,-(N. Y. Bureau)-At a here for which there had assembled there were in the soviet republic on

at Petrograd is rapidly advancing. Fifteen rest homes are already in operation, providing accommodations for For thee we mourn." No, that as about 1,000 workers. The opening ce-

PARIS-(N. Y. Bureau)-A resolution to federate all maritime workers and sold their dusky brethren, as into one big union without regard to cattle in the market place. Now could rank or grade was passed at a confer. they do it without choking? ence of the national council of mar- "Beware ye of the leaven of the

GLEANINGS AND COMMENT

By John Brown. Los Gatos, Calif.

Richmond P. Hobson-the courageous and kissable-press-agented as the hero of the Merrimae (think of the modesty of posing as the hero, among the countless millions who have so recently acted out the heroic part, unsung) held forth last evening in our Rockefellerized Baptist Church on -"America and The Destiny of the

Chuch and State (Chamber of Commerce rejoiced and applauded to learn that two of Paul's pernicious and misleading declarations to his "son" Timothy-"For the love of money (property) is the root of all evil" .-'Drink no longer water, but take a little wine for thy stomach's sake, and thine often infirmities" are now refuted, exploded, obsolete. - "My research Secretary has discovered that the love of alcohol is the root, source and cause of all wars, all crimes, all poverty, all distress. The family of the drinker becomes absolutely barren in the fourth generation; on glorious, righteous, redeemed, dry America alone now hangs the destiny of the human race-therefore, dig down in your jeans right now and rush to save all other nations of earth from extinction by drying them up."

But wait a moment-consider our recent boastful announcement and expensive pilgrimage to "make the world safe for Democracy"-our accomplishment the making of our own land the unsafest place on earth for Democrats-the most profitable place on earth for profiteers.

Consider Homestead and Ludlow, Bisbee and West Virginia, Centralia and Butte, Jefferson City and Atlanta, Leavenworth and Alcatraz, and our ten thousand other foul reecking jails and penitentiaries, where crimes against the innocent, and "crimes against criminals", vie with the horrors of the "Inquisition", and the "Black hole of Calcutta".

Consider how applicable to us as a nation the blistering words of the Hebrew prophet-"Thou hast taken usury and increase, and hast greedily gained of thy neighbors by extortion, and hast forgotten me saith the Lord God. Wherefore I have smitten my hand at thy dishonest gain which Thou hast made."

Consider how true today the words of a notable Brooklyn preacher of a quarter century ago-"The two leading political parties of this country. which alternate in its control, have putrefied, until they have lost all further power to rot; now there they lie! side by side, two great carcasses of imquity, each one worse than the

Consider our divorce courts, and insane asylums-our "pride, fullness of bread, abundance of idleness, and indifference to the cause of the poor," passing that which incurred the destructive wrath of Jehovah against Sodom. Consider how, even now the very foundations beneath our feet, are rocking with the earthquakes, and seething with volcanoes of the same righteous indignation. Consider all this and our ten thousand other infimay's and shames, and you get a faint conception of the collossal effrontery that would propose going utside our own borders on cleaning expeditions, while so many foul masses reeck and clamor for removal here at

"Thou hypocrite; first cast out the beam from thine own eye, and then shalt Thow see clearly to pluck out the mote from the brothers eye."

But to get the real "meat from the coconut of Brother Hobson's discourse-interpret the hints, read between the lines, strip off the camouflage-"The Government has the names of two million men in this country who are ready to do what the "reds" have done in Russia"-Those who wish to overthrow our Constitution should leave the country and should be helped out," great applause. -So-you see our "hero" at heart belongs with the "shippers and shooters''; apparently, blissfully unconcions that among the first to feel the toe of the boot should be our unholy Attorney and Postmaster Generals-who, like they, have trampled in the mire our Constitution, and proved themselves the real "Criminal Anarchists' of hate and violence? The meeting opened and closed with

the familiar antherm "My Country, 'Tis of Thee, Sad land of tyranny, not it. Having more regard for "patriotism" than for truth-they sang it right lustily in its original form, as did our forbears for a hundred years-the while they blithely bought

church members, which is hypocracy."

CAPITAL AND LABOR TESTIFY-ING IN COMMUNIST TRIAL.

(Continued from page 1.) per cent which would be equivalent to I replied: the increase of 10 per cent asked by the shipyards workers. He said, 'Well, I think I can do it' and left, saying he'd be back in an hour. Then he left and he hasn't come back yet."

(Continued from page 1.) if something couldn't be done to call hands. the strike the next day. I said that I the strike off that day. Finally he said thought something could be done if that if it weren't called off by noon he was big enough to do it. The thing that day he'd declare martial law. As was to reduce the cost of living 10 spokesman for the strikers' committee

"Labor has nothing to fear from martial law. Because labor hasn't com-

Duncan then described a meeting at the Mayor's office the second day of the Strike between city officials, resommittee representing the strikers, who had complete organization in the gas plant, had investigated the and a committee from the strikers and a committee from the strikers and a commerce.

In ow whether or not they will serve as the work that purpose.

'By writing and speaking on 'American American and 'Law and Order'.''

Ole then revealed that he has received \$38,000 gross in the last seven months of his writing and lecturing, of which 65 per cent is profit. The

miners throughout the state also probably would join the strike if martial law were declared. "Finally I told the mayor, 'We

"Habor has nothing to fear from martial law. Because labor hasn't committed any unlawful acts and dosn't know, and you don't know, and you don't know, mitted any unlawful acts and dosn't propose to commit any."

"Because of poverty, neuritis, the absolute necessity of earning a living they are called in here. You don't know whether or not they will serve as "How do you earn your living?"

"The mayor claimed that the rad he introduced martial law, he un point was different from his, that the icals had got control of our organization doutedly would find the responsibility strikers didn't want to see a test of he testified, "and he wanted to know of keeping gas flowing on his own that sort made in the streets."

\$7,500 annual salary of the mayor of Seattle was not sufficient for him, he in the establishment of rest homes

Hanson's reasons for resigning as mayor of Seattle seven months before "I reminded him also that the coal his term was up, were brought out by William Forres, counsel for defense, in cross examination this morning. "Why did you resign?" he asked.

conference of kindergarten workers fifty-three delegates from thirty-four Russian provinces, it was learned from a report made to the conference, that

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Uncle Sam -- Scab Herder

If there is any one who had any illusions of the outcome of the results of the deliberations of the Railway Labor Board, they must be sufficiently dissillusioned now.

That the decision simply throws a sop to the railway workers in the hope of keeping down their clamoring for a living wage, is apparent. The award of \$600,000,000 sounds big, but when it is measured by the individual share of the workers it dwindles into insignificance. With a calculation which placed the award barely above the "deadline" at which the workers would refuse it, the board made its award with a surety that it would be accepted and the workers once more induced to continue their slavery upon pitifully inadequate

Just how long before the railway workers will be compelled to resort to another mass demonstration for more wages, depends upon whether the cost of living takes an upward or downward course. At present its course is continually upward with to deterring object in sight. The fact that all branches of the railway workers with the exception of the telegraphes, have accepted the award under protest augurs ill for their continued loyalty to the corporations which with insufferable and conscienceless exploitations reduces then to the plane of peons and serfs. There is every indication that this award instead of being an element of satisfaction in the conflict will tend to arouse the workers to increased demonstrations of solidarity and further demands for some sort of consideration at the hands of the corporation and the government.

Under the award the railway workers will continue to receive the lowest industrial wage paid. Section men will receive the stupenduous award of less than \$25.00 weekly, this being the lowest paid labor. Engineers, being the highest paid will receive a little less than \$70,00 weekly. Between these extremes comes the firemen, conductors, brakemen, baggagemen, telegraphers, carpenters, car-repairers, boilermakers, machinists, gang foremen and so-called unskilled workers, comprising many hundreds and thousands of skilled workers who are forced to labor under a yoke of pitiful wages inadequate to sustain a family at a decent standard of living.

Not only are the railway workers still scandalously un derpaid, but if the reported threats of the government are carried out, those who have had the courage to continue on strike are new to be set upon by sleuths and bludgeoned back to work under penalty of a jail sentence. According to press reports the Grand presidents of five railway brotherhoods were notified in Chicago by a representative of the department of justice that workmen who persisted in remaining on strike would be persecuted under the Lever act. While the improvement in the amount of traffic moved in the strike centers has been noticable, the cost has been tremenduous, and since the government was to foot the bill in case the railways return less than a profit of 51/2 per cent, it is determined to put an end to the outlaw strikes. On account of inability to secure scabs at the wages paid the regular crews practically double the scale is being paid the scabs who have taken the strikers places. Their unfamiliarity with the work has also added to the expense of freight movements. The government is therefore acting as a scabherding agency for the railway owners and paying the bill as well. It cannot find a funds pay American workers a living wage but it has plenty with which to hire scabs at double pay to help beat them into submission to a wage agreement that means slow starvation for the workers and their families.

In this manner does all "arbitration" work for the undoing of the worker. Its latest results should assist in letting some light into the heads of the workers

A Humane Protest

The assertion of Parley P. Christensen, candidate of the Farmer-Labor Party for president, that would enter no campaign against Eugene V. Debs until he is released from prison must meet with the accord of all thinking and humane people. He has since requested the candidates of the old parties to place their names with his upon a memorandum to President Wilson asking for the release of Debs; this likewise commend itself as an act worthy of a presidential candidate and a

If any man can be found in public life who would remain so immune to a sense of fairplay and sportmanship, and, without protest, enter a presidential race while his opponent was behind prison bars as in the case of Debs, it would brand him as totally unworthy of the confidence of any voter.

That this move for clemency in the Debs case has come from the third party would seem to signify that the two old parties will have to come out from under the smoke screen of lies and falsehood at least this once and either commit themselves to one good act or to oppose it. Whichever they do the honor should go to Mr. Christensen. If he can drive them into aiding the release of Debs then the birth of the latest political baby will have been worth the cost.

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Music and Cheese

The Mayor and city council of Lawrence Massachussetts have taken William M. Wood. President of the American Woolen Company to task for shutting down his mills and turning a great many thousands of workers into the street and making no provision for their welfare while awaiting the reopening of the mills. The mills have now been closed nearly one month and the demands upon the charity institutions of the city for assistance for the hungry families of former Woolen Company employes is increasing.

Mayor William P. White flayed Mr. Wood for his heartless lack of consideration of his employees' welfare in saying, "Mr. Wood has entertained thousands of his employees at his estate in the past few weeks with music and cheese; now some of them are starving. I do not want to open soup kitchens in this city. The big war profits were made by the American Woolen Compeny, not by the city of Lawrence, and the Company could well afford to sell cloth at cost or at even a slight loss, if necessary."

It is interesting to note that that new and unique idea that industry should bear the burden of unemployment and not society at large has reached into the halls of municipalities. The shifting of responsibility for the lives of employees from the municipalities to the industries which employ them is apparently growing. In respect to the war profits of the American Woolen Company, let us see what Basil M. Manly has to say in his report upon the subject.

On page 380 of the Treasury report is shown the income of a woolen compeny capitalized at \$60,000,000. So far as I have been able to ascertain, there is only one woolen company in the United States capitalized at that amount—the American Woolen Company. The Treasury Department's report shows that in 1917 this sixty-million-dollar woolen company reported a net income of \$28,560,342. The annual report of the American Woolen Company for 1917 shows a net income before taxes were deducted of only \$13,883,,155. If this sixty-million-dollar woolen company is in fact the American Woolen Company—and the evidence seems to be conclusive—it is clear that the American Woolen Company in 1917 concealed from the stockholders and from the public profits of nearly \$15,000,000. In other words, the actual profits of the American Woolen Company in 1917 appear from this comparison to have been more than twice as great as the company acknowledged in its annual report.

Thus we have a concrete instance of a huge modern industry coining millions in profits from the toil and sweat of its employees during a period of "prosperity"; and when the prosperity wanes, it turns them into the street to shift for themselves, without taking any further responsibility for them, whether they live or starve. Had they been black slaves they would have been fed and clothed in slack times as well as in good times.

The hypocrisy of capitalistic industry is seen wherein it assumes a paternalistic attitude toward its employees by giving "free" outings, picnics, etc. as long as it is gouging out of them the last penny in profits and when that is no longer possible sets them a drift. The bosses can well afford such 'generosity'', it is paid for by the workers themselves.

The Polish S. O. S.

With an S. O. S. to all parts of the capitalistic world, ambitions and preposterous war against the Soviets. What of Budenney's cavalry and the strategists at Moscow, the Polish front has crumbled and fled, the while uttering cries for support, financial support, military support, "moral" support, any old kind of support that will stay the onpouring advance of the Red Army toward Warsaw and save the prestige of the none too strong Polish bourgeois government.

The defeat of Poland registers another failure of Great Britain and the Allies to stay the march of Sovietism and to destroy the workers' government of Russia. Seeing the inevitable collapse of Polland the perfidious Allies have made haste to urge the cessation of the war. So long as they viewed Poland as a possible bulwark against the spread of Sovietism, they sancitioned the war, furnished munitions and encouraged Poland in her ambitious schemes, but the moment they saw the Red Army nearing the Polish border, the advisibility of peace at once asserted itself to them.

That the fear of Bolshevik contact with Germany lies like a deadening weight upon the minds of the Allies is frankly admitted. From no motive of humanitarianism do the Allies urge the cessation of hostilities.

The war might continue indefinitely so far as their humanitarian impulses are concerned if only there was a chance of winning in the end. But they know well enough the strength of Soviet forces, and since they desire above all else a capitalistic nation between Russia and Germany, in order to save Poland from utter collapse and possibly a revolution and establishment of Sovietism, they urge peace upon the combatants while yet capitalistic Poland stands. The Allies realize the possibilities of Soviet connection with Spartacist and Communist workers of Germany. The continued Allied exploitation of Germany depends upon the subserviance of the workers, a victorious Soviet state on Germany's border would be a practical assurance of a German proletarian revolution; and the end not only of Allied exploitation but the assurance of the spread of Sovietism to every country in Europe.

With the Poles now actually appealing to Russia for peace, the war assumes a new aspect, and development there will be watched with the keenest attention. That the terms of peace and the boundaries of Poland will be laid out by the victor, and that they will be in accordance with fairness to Poland is assured. Soviet Russia, in contradistinction to every capitalistic government, has no ambition to exploit any na-

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF AMERICA. (Continued from page 1.)

hideous. The toll for the year 1918 was 84, 3244 for the thirty year period previous to 1919, a sacrifice to the race hatreds nursed and culvitated by a class society in the interests of the parasitical

"Moral Support"

An especially sinister report emanated from Washington last (week containing the information that the State Departwas about to announce to the world its moral support land, and possibly the extension of government credits mitions-of which we have plenty to supply any capitalist nation at war with either its own working class or that of sother nation.

According to the report, the question of a violation of ntry's neutrality with Russia, a nation with which we at war, was very quickly disposed of, it being pointed at this country had at one time an army in Siberia, and y the need of saving Poland was of "more importance neutrality". So we see that international law applies as between capitalist governments. If it is necessary to e it in the interests of capitalism—to hell with it.

The State Department has already protested to the Cecho-Slovak government the helding up of 35 carloads of munitions enroute thru that country to Poland by the class conscious workers there. These munitions were war supplies left in France and were exchanged by this government for Polish bonds. There were seventy-five million dollars worth of them sold. Aside from the enmity which this government holds against the Russian worker's government, we have here a concrete example of the financial reasons at the bottom of this "moral" support. There can be no question of the moral nature of the support which the government will extend to Poland-support based upon a loan of \$75,000,000 could not be otherwise th n moral according to capitalistic ethics.

The government apparently has no illusions concerning the lack of class consciousness of American workers, The work as of Slovakia may assert their comradeship and common interests with the workers of Russia in refusing to dye their hands with blood in assisting in the shipment of munitions with which they will be murdered; London dockers may refuse to load ships with bullets and powder for the same purpose, but Uncle Sam knows that none of his family will be so disloyal to capitalist interests as to refuse to do its bidding. That is what Uncle Sam seems to think NOW. But Seattle longshoremen DID refuse to load munitions destined for use against Russia. We would suggest to Uncle Sam that the loyalty of American workers to capitalistic butchers is perhaps not so deep seated as the surface indicates.

And we appreciate the elucidation on the nature of "moral" support as defined by capitalistic ethics.

War and Why

"What, speaking in quite unofficial language, is the net purport and upshot of war? To my knowledge, for example, there dwell and toil in the British village of Dumdrudge, usually some five hundred souls. From these there are successively selected during the French war, say thirty lable rodied men. Dumbrudge at her own expense has suckled and nursed them; she has, not without difficulty and sorrow. fed them up to manhood and even trained them to crafts, so that one can weave, another build, another hammer. Nevertheless, amid much weeping and swearing, they are selected, all dressed in red, and shipped away at the public charges, some two thousand miles, or say only to the south of Spain, and fed there till wanted.

"And now to that same spot in the south of Spain are thirty similar French artisants from a French Dumbrudge in like manner wending, till at length, after infinite effort, the two parties come into actual juxtaposition; and thirty stand fronting thirty, each with a gun in his hand. Straightway, the word 'fire' is given, and they blow the souls out of one another; and in place of sixty brisk, useful craftsmen, the world has sixty dead carcasses which it must bury, and anew shed tears for.

"Had these men any quarrel? Busy as the devil is, not the smallest! They live far enough apart; were the entirest stangers, nay, in so wide a universe, there was even, unconsciously, by commerce, some mutual Lelpfulness between

"How then? simpleton! Their governors had fallen out, and instead of shooting one another, had the cunning to make these poor blockheads shoot."

Thomas Carlyle.

From a thousand industrial battle fields arise the clash of interests of the exploited and the exploiters. Amid the conflict of economic interests we hear the rattle of the machine gun, the rifle shot of the hired gunman and the Cossack, brutal arms of a capital State, the sole purpose of which is to serve its creater, the exploters of labor, the parasitical ruling class. The jails are filled with Labors' spoksmen. Its leaders are murdered in cold blood. Every attempt of the workers to break their slavery's chains is met with the armed force and violence of the capitalist class excercised thru the State, the police, militia, the department of justice. Witness the persecution of the I. W. W. the outlawing of elected socialists, the Communist trials now going on at Chicago. All are evidence of the enslavement of the masses to the owners of industry; all is terrific condemnation of the boasted liberties which capitalist apologists inform us are the foundation stones of this government.

Until these conditions are brought to an end by the its power of the laboring masses and industry is rid of its parasitie lownership, can any real liberties for the masses find a footbold here.

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The Black Sheep.

(Continuation of Chapter XL.)

As for the letters they could hardly be called love letters. They had mor the character of essays on scientific social, economic, and industrial ques tions. They were entirely devoid of any personal history or of any person aspirations whatsoever. This puz zled the man of business greatly. He was wont to tell Olive that the boy letters were as good as a magazinarticle, but that he wished they would contain more of his personal "What I would like he would say, "Is how he makes his living. How he is employ ed. He must have a source of incom for even the most saintly among us need money. It is a "necessary evil but we must have it. I wish you would find out just what his income is, and where from. It would help us to get a better insight into his real character

Instinctively Gus Anderson associated character and income, yet he discussed it all so reasonably, so impart ially that he won his daughter's en tire confidence. She agreed that sh would write and ask the boy the de sired questions. This she did jus before leaving her native village fo the sunny clime of the city at the

foot of the rockies. Her uncle, a prosperous farmer and bee keeper, lived a little to the east town of Boulder, and it was here, that shortly after her arrival she made the acgainance of a coupof young men, students at the Colorado University School of Mines, Debs was to speak in Denver, in be no idle threat. Debs would have died who were spending their vacation on half of the imprisoned labor leaders for his convictions and in that hall her uncle's ranch. These young men at Boise, And Olive Anderson had were hundreds of men and women were not radicals in the sense that were not radicals in the sense that eagerly awaited that day. But when have who at that moment would have she told her aunt and uncle of her considered it glory to follow him. did however, have advanced ideas concerning labor organizations, and kindred subjects. It was now that raised a storm of protest. They went spoken. The import was to Olive became busy arguing politics and economics, from her entirely untrained view point and naturally occassionally getting the worst of it, incl. But their effects were spoken. The import was to spoken they were spoken. The import was to they were spoken. The import was to serious. Yet who can say, that these result of which might will be image words did not at least have as much spoken. The import was to serious. Yet who can say, that these results of which might will be image. but her defeats were only temporary. Olive had decided to go. And she than Darrow's flaming oration Every evening before she retired she went. After which her uncle decided to the jury. But all this is beside the would write to Jack and tell him of to mention the matter no farther, issue. Debs was willing to give his all her problems, and the way the college men stated theirs. And at the other end of the line, Jack was answering her many questions with the more than willing co-operation of Ed. Collins. In fact Collins wrote quite

in love with her for he was several He was very thorough in his work. In fact, she was hardly aware that he was very thorough in his work. In fact, she was hardly aware that he closed years Jack's Senior, and while outfor altho Olive was to all appearances had begun to speak, when he closed, line British and German troops alike he was, inwardly of on affectionate the giddy age, he did not neglect her to a hotel. She jubilant and her cousing nature. He admired beauty in woman but handed her the paper and hand disgusted. She wanted to discuss the nature. He admired beauty in woman but handed her the paper and hand disgusted. She wanted to disgusted. She wanted to discuss of the world are determined speaker's soul wispering message with speaker's soul wispering mess that she possessed intellect in no small degree. Then, Collins admired that peculiar type of intellect that dwells on the problems of social life, and that was pre-eminently hers. So it was, that the big man was often more anxious to hear from the girl then was Jack, and he lost no opposed to possessed intellect in no small degree. Then, Collins admired that asked her cousin, what she thought of asked her cousin, what she thought of the speech Olive was painfully surprised when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when the prised when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, where; to spread anti-war propaganda he lost no opposite the civilian people, and when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that she when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of us, when she informed her that the speech Olive was painfully surprised when she informed her that she thought of their she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of the speech Olive a lock of the speech Olive was painfully surprised when she informed her that she thought of their she had paid no attention to the fellow. After which she read Olive a lock of the speech Olive that she possesed intellect in no small

ed, and to point; they could not help but impress the girl, and cause her to form the habit of writing separate notes to him, which finally developed into separate letters.

CHAP XLL

Her first Socialist Meeting.

In less then a week after her arrival at her uncle's ranch, Olive was easting about for a local socialist, from whom she might learn just how the cult operated, and what they koped to accomplish for the present generation. With all the impetuosity of youth, she sought for any way to make an end of this world's ingrained injustice, by the sheer force of her own idealism. Like every new convert to the faith of the Co-operative Commonwealth, she was convenced that she had made a great discovery, and that all that was, now needed, was but to go out and tell it to the toiling masses. These she reasoned would not hestitate to receive the word, and go to work at the reconstruction of society.

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ering. The very air seemed to be Her failure to impress the preacher, and the editor, and her father for felt as if she were swept along by that matter, she ascribed to the fact this, to her, mystic power. that they were not strictly workers, was a stillness in the great hall that as Jack had defined workers. It was I to their interest to oppose anything that worked against their customary source of income. Her failure to impress the few working people she had talked to, she attributed to the fact that she had not read enough copies of "The Appeal To Reason."

But now all would be different. She had read not only papers but books as well, and what she had not understood, Jack and Collins had made clear. All that was needed now was to get busy in an organized way, and the citadels of evil would fall, and the temples of Justice arise, at the onward march of the victorious Proletariat

She asked one of the students who was vacationing with her uncle, if he loose. Such cheering and applauding happened to know an honest to God Olive never heard. Involuntarily she socialist in that neighborhood, and he took part, clapping her hands and porting on the activities of what body informed her, that there was one in staumping her feet, and even giving said that 14,000,000 hectares (about town, who was "plum dippy" on the vocal vent to her emotions, to the

The man in question was Peter Collingwood, who oscilated back and Olive, while Olive was paying attenforth between the practice of Law, tion to everything but her cousin and his hives of bees, in the struggle for existence, but who was always firmly anchored in his political faith, and Debs began his speech. As he

There was mystic music in his voice; t ranged from plaintive calling to thundering command. It called to the deepest springs of human emotion, breathing now low and tenderness, and again storming the ramparts of crime ity and devotion had much in it, that and averice with a deluge of scorn was akin to the religious in the most and hate. For hate is but the antith was akin to the religious in the most exalted meaning of the variously interpreted word. He was one of these men who are so filled with a sense of the absolute importance of their ideas that they talk them in season and out of season, to any one who is willing to listen and to many who are not willing to listen, until they are looked upon at best as a harmless nuisance, and at the worse, as a manace to the peace of mind of the

worse, then if he hated them.

community. Such a man was Collin-wood. It was said of him that if he sery with which the fair face of cihad a client befor a jury, he would first try to make socialists out of the debris on the tide of battle. The twelf goodmen and true, before he battle could not end but in victory would argue the case for his client, for the ever increasing masses of exin consequence of which he had to raise bees in order to keep his home fires burning. Consequently he had to the fires burning. Consequently he had to sweeping splender of his emotional sweeping splender of his scientific expressions and his sweeping splender of his swee but few friends and many enemies appeal—drunk with the power of his and near enemies. His friends he loved and his enemies he propagandised, which they considered as being dised, which they considered as being martyre death, if he had but given the martyre death, if he had but given the nower on to declare that That Olive Anderson should admire of the orator when the physical ciralso possessed of an extraordinary imagination, which he needlessly employed in his recital of the crimes of the rich.

For weeks, "The Appeal To Reason", had carried the announcement of the carried on'', had carried the announcement. that on a certain day, Eugene V. for his convictions and in that hall tions. The civilia

ined. But their efforts were in vain, affect on the final issue of the trial

Collins. In fact Collins wrote quite out "Appeal to Reason", and an Debs spoke at great length, but as much of the letters as did the boy nouncements of the Debs meeting, to Olive was not conscious of time. She passengers boarding the Denver train. wished that he would go on forever. just a slip of a girl in the midst of That night she and her cousin went

ion was the victim. But when she then was Jack, and be lost no opportunity to enclose a little note in the boy's letters when ever he was invited to do so. In these he expressed invited to do so. In these he expressed his personal view of some particularly knotty social problems.

These notes were always well word—These notes was not interested in a small town. Analyzed the si other reason than that her father Women ought not to take part in seething torrent when it is rushing a resolution of the British delegates hated him. And her father hated him man's affairs. It was natural for man headlong to the falls. They recognize condemning the League of Nations as for the reason that he considered the to govern. You see, the Bible does lawyer a fool but every time he tried not tell of any lady Gods!

It soon become evident to Olive's must stop it at its source. to prove him so, Collinwood would It soon become evident to Olive's have the best of the argument. Now mind that it was useless to reason Olive was conversing with this man with the unreasonable. Discontinuing and using a language which her the conversation, she went to bed, where cousin did not even comprehend. For in imagination she talked the whole they spoke of Social evolution, of matter over with Jack. She was sure workingclass supremacy, of industrial that he would have understood all solidarity, of capitalistic decadence, that Debs had said, and that he would with an ease that entirely baffled the have sympathized with the great ob-The trip to Denver was a feast to sacrifice could the race be redeemed

Olive Anderson. For the lawyer from bondage.
told her much of the life history of The next morning she and America's greatest workingclass ora- cousin quarelled with the result that tor and also much of the inside of the this guardian angel flew back present labor troubles, which were Boulder, while Olive sought out socialist headquarters, where to her now culminating in the possible death which she was introduced to the That evening she found herself retary of local Denver who enrolled among the mass crowd that gathered her in the Socialist Party, and gave at the auditorium to hear the great apostle of freedom, but more to voice to her dying day.

More Going than Coming

Figures just compiled by the immigration officials at Ellis Island that sometimes precedes a storm. show that 334,254 aliens have left this There were the usual tiresome country through the Port of New dure at all socialist meetings. They York in the year ending June 30th. The number of incoming aliens in the to speak, anything can be endured, same period was 314,468. There were thus 19,786 more outgoing than incoming aliens during the year.

Reports reaching here from the Soviet Ukrainia tell of the opening of a Soviet Congress at which the delegates reaffirmed their loyalty to the proceeding, but she could understand Soviet ideal and took pains to emthat the purpose was to get the literature before the public, which of phasize the fact that Soviet Ukrainia course was a wise and necessary part was aiding Soviet Russia in fighting At last the speaker came upon the back the invading Poles. C. Rakovsky, stage, and then pandimonium broke chairman of the Council of People's positive disgust of her cousin, who 35,000,000 acres) of farming land had was paying attention to nothing but been taken away from the agrarians and turned over to the peasants for After an ovation that lasted several use. He also reported that the miners of the Donetz Basin had produced a

The Ex-service Men's International

Secretary, National Union of British Ex-Service Men.

A conference has just been held at Geneva which may prove to have started one of the and one of the most important move- the ultimate cause of all modern war. ments of our age. It was a conference of ex-service men, of ex-service men be found in the capitalist system, and from Britain, Germany, France, Italy, the only way to end war is to tear and several other countries; a conmanace to the peace of mind of the man's redemption from bondage. The ference of those who tarough the years ism the wide world over. of war had been fighting each other | The first act of the congress was at the behest of their masters and who resolved that such a state of things should occur "never again".

Henri Barbusse—author of "Under latin, Belgian, Rumanian, Swiss— Fire''-presided. His cpening address to pledge them all to work together gave the key to the whole proceedings. to abolish the capitalist and compe-"Once more we confort one another," titive system, and to strive to estabhe said, "we who have confronted one another in hell." And then he went on to declare that at that conference the ex-soldiers of Europe returned "to their first essential belief, belief in such an individual was a forgone conclussion. And that Collinwood would tell her all and more than he know tell her all and more than her all and more than the first essential belief, belief in the companion tell her all and more than the first essential belief. tell her all, and more then he knew about socialism was equally certain. For Collingwood was nothing if not well read in the literature of the class-struggle and its allied subjects. He also possessed of an extraordinary after the interest of slaughter, the arriving combatants element the voice of the speaker, no matter how clearly used, is little more than a sounding brass and a tinkling eyes, and recogn ed each other as symble. "If they kill these men, they also possessed of an extraordinary affect the interest of their brotherhood. After five years of slaughter, the arriving combatants element the voice of the speaker, no matter how clearly used, is little more than a sounding brass and a tinkling eyes, and recogn ed each other as symble. "If they kill these men, they also possessed of an extraordinary after five years."

The government which mede the

The government which made the war—the governit bureaucracies of Europe, responding to the pressure of legates were of a different mind. Althe financial into sts—still glare at though they held that the only way

while the governments and most of until capitalism was abolished in every the civilian peoples thought of each country in the world, without taking other as enemies, the fighting men, some precautionary measures in the even while fighting, knew no enduring hate. They were all alike in the grip of the war-machine, and each one knew that the "fellow opposite" was as helpless as himself. At home the British peoples cursed the Germans, and the German people cursed the people of this land But in the fighting

only cursed the war. Now the war is over and the ex-

that if they would stop war, they

The Ex-Service Men's International was not intended to consist only of labor and socialist organizations. Yet every national body of ex-service men which sent delegates to Geneva, sent them with the same thoughts to exmost significant press. Capitalism, they all agreed, is The roots of war, they said, are to it up by its roots, to abolish capital-

therefore to pledge the ex-service men

opinion. The Italians and some of the French delegates expressed the view that the matter should be left there. "Let us concentrate upon this one thing," they said; "let us consider only how we ex-Service men may help to destroy the capitalist system."

ontiers of the na- to abolish war was to abolish capitions. The civilia peoples still bear some of the mean and futile hate that ready pledged to do their utmost to they had for each other while the war accomplish this, yet they urged that continued. But the men who are actually engaged, hur creds of thousands continued, to render the making of of them in every knd, stretch out to each other the hards of fellowship. wars more difficult, to diminish the chances of war They declared that Does this seem strange? Does it they must do something immediately; seem inconsistent? Surely not . For that they could not afford to wait meantime.

> Eventually the conference accepted this view, though the Italians insisted that, for them at any rate, it would mean waste of time and effort. "The Revolution'', they said, "is so near at hand in Italy that we can consider nothing else."

The British delegates submitted that the ex-service men should help to soldiers of the world are determined abolish secret diplomacy (and especially the power of the foreign ofimpossible for war to come again. tential war behind their backs and During the war they cursed the endeavor to bring about the general use of an international language, Esperanto.

"a league of capitalist governments of the conquerors."

Skygac's Column

vention. Vox Populi, THE people, were allowed to play at selecting the popular choice, then Big Biz steps in and tells them who is who and relationship to the sole judge of what is and what is not "sound principles".

Lincoln did not use such applicationship to the sole judge of what is and what is not "sound principles". is what, and the dark horse cometh out. Now comes the popular farce of manufacturing popularity for the nom-inees of big business. The man on the porch sounds all fine and dandy, but there must be fine lines running from that front porch to wall street, or the man on the porch would not have a chance to pose as the people's choice

Paul La Fargue the witty Frenchman, described a similar situation in the following words: "Now comes the politicians with tears in their eyes and gold in their voices, and the ongeared populace shout in frenzied chourus, 'Hooray, Hooray', than will start the great farce, the theft of a nation's goods."

Why did the A. F. of L. hold its press their honest opinions without interference from the U. S. department of (in) justice.

The decanogue, the constitution of the interference from the U. S. department of (in) justice.

But then I told you at the start of (in)justice.

The A. F. of L. wants government wnership of railroads "democratically managed" but don't want soviet-ism. Reminds me of the man who was hungry but did not want to eat. If some one should suddenly ask the A. F. of L. what-the-ell it DID want, wouldn't they hear a lot of stuttering wouldn't they and stammering?

Trotsky has again been murdered for the eight or eighteenth time. That fellow has more lives than is accredited to a tom cat.

The bolsheviks have but a shadow of an army says the W. G. N. Beats all the how strong some shadows are!

Bolshevism has failed, says the curent magazines. Why didn't they print all the sentence? Bolshevism has failed o frighten the common people?

People are like dough, if they have the yeast in them they will rise. But even dough has to have a favorable environment or it will not let the yeast work.

Now cometh Hearst with a renewal of the yellow peril, telling us that the white race is doomed-that the yellow race will win in the struggle for supremacy. If it does it will be be mortal men to do, they will make it fices to commit the peoples to po- cause Capitalism has sapped the vitality from the great majority of the

> The great menace is in the inlustrial relationship, not in racial deelopment.

n-that is a nar of our 100% Americanism.

Palmer has hushed the voice of the leaders, now he must listen to the voice of the pack! . . .

"LIKE A MIGHTY ARMY" We glean the following from "Curgood enough to pass along. It at least shows one sky pilot who got his eyes open about war. Who knows he may next get his eyes open to the church? Current Opinon's comment is as of the demonition bow-wows and collars "I'll will be a long time be." (the bolsheviks would get us" sure, follows. "It will be a long time before the poison of monarchism

militarism has been squezed out of the hymnbook. The world has thought so long in the brutal terms of the past that it will be hard to get over it The Reverend J. H. Hopkinson England recently said; "We have learned that war is not a matter of fluttering banners and clashing swords and beating drums, but merely a the convention resembled a sickening and dirty butchery of lads convention of ten years ago. in water-logged or flyinfested trench-

"We shall be less ready than we were to compare the movement of the church to that of a victorius army Hynms that we could sing unthinking before the war have become a lying blasphemy. Who could now sing, "Like

Bolsheviki Russia is a nation fanatical dreamers and wild-eyed owns it and turn it over to the retheorists, but-they have compulsory labor and compulsory education-and up to backward Russia.

Press reports that U. S. is now to allow trade with Russia. We won't said political action was superior to industrial action?

Franklin D'Olier, National Com mander of the American Legion in And what will be the duty of comlished on the cover of the Legion
weekly says, "** that the flag shall continue to fly over a nation that is,

Manifestly one of watching and lation? Manifestly one of watching and indeed, free to all men of sound prin-

phrases. He said "a nation can not exist half-slave and half free".

The K. C. paper printed a picture of Stedman kissing Debs at the Atlanta Pen. A correspondent writes that the picture reminded him of another famous kiss in the Garden of Gesthemane where one Judas kissed (and betrayed) his Friend.

The pulpit pounders make much of a 'strong moral and religious sense." For mine, I'll take just common ordinary common sense.

Dr. Freye at a Methodist camp meeting classed the Republican party platform with the ten commandments and the American constitution, Here convention in Canada? The best guess is the way he was quoted in the P. s that it was held in Canada so the P.; "There are only three great doclelegates could have the privelege of uments in the world today, and they freedom of speech-so they might ex- are the decalogue, the constitution of

that he was a minister!

The same brilliant mind informs an anxiously awaiting world that, "if Cox is elected in November, Hinky Dink will run the country."

A stevedore told me the other day that "the company was damn careful of the trucks and if the company was as careful to see that men did not get broke as they were about the trucks it would be a greaaat world."

Henriettta informed me the other day that the landlord observed that Henry was working overtime—and straightaway raised the rent, and one of Henrietta's sisters told me their rent was raised immediately after her Henry had bought himself a new suit. My what is the world coming to? * * *

From the amount of propaganda put out by the master-class against bol-shevism one would almost infer that the world was coming to its senses.

Bela Kuhn of the former worker's republic of Hungary is reported to have escaped to Russia. This is doing well as the P. P. had him dead and buried a year ago. Now he is much alive, and to quote the P. P. "un-punished for his crimes and atrocities". Capitalism commits no crimes!

Politicians tell us that the workers are poor because they don't use their heads. When they do use their heads the workers are jailed on a conspiracy charge.

The moulder of public opinion wields a greater influence than the maker of much money, yet allow much money to control the forces which BENEFIT from the performance of scheme and paid the bills. The working class learned (or had a chance to learn) that Abraham Lincoln was a great man who started in life "poor but honest" and was against workingclass and FOR property. Poor honest old Abe! What crimes and atrocities are committed in his name

. . . Well its all off. From the advertisements in all the papers we learned that unless the Christian Soviet better known as the Interchurch World movement was supported, the world would and now the papers report the flat and complete failure of that I. W. M. drive.

Skygac was an interested onlooker at the third party convention. It was the largest aggregation of nuts he ever saw all under one cover. One could not help but notice how closely the convention resembled an S. P.

Did you know that we produced one new millionaire for every three American boys killed in France during the war period?

Did you know that See More (see more what?) Stedman had been commissioned by the S. P. to render his a Mighty Army Moves the Church of services as a practicing attorney in the capitalist courts to get possession of the Detroit House of the Masses away from the educational club which actionary S. P.?

> Did you know that the dictatorship of the capitalist will continue until it is set aside by a stronger dictatorship-the dictatorship of the prolet-

A lot of intellectuals of the Politicorecognize them politically—but we will anarchist-socialist variety are just recognize them industrially. Now who waking up to the fact that their parlor radicalism fitteth nowhere in the scheme of things which the logic of economic evolution is bringing Emma Goldman did not like the die tatorship of the bourgeoisie here and over in Russia she is reported to like there is the autocrat of the horns and spear-head tail. Boo-hoo, Ain't it a cold and cruel world?

Emma isn't alone in her dilemna.

RUMINATIONS OF A REBEL By Tom Clifford.

left to the bourgeoisle to postpone the be tenable. inevitable breakdown of the capitalist system. It is the only method of pro-cedure left them, and its continuance is limited to the time it takes the

It is almost sacrilege to call this stood there, tall, slender, slightly remarkably large amount of coal deliving emotional 'patriotism'; is that can offer a rational and scientific for we will have to handle millions of the lowly, political, for his sincer. She felt than mankind only echoedspite the difficulties due to the war.

middle-class minded girl who was to ject to be attained. She remembered guard Olive from harm.

There is not the slightest danger ganization of patriotic societies receive that the railway corporations will rebut passing notice from the masses, There is not the slightest danger ganization of patriotic societies received ject the wage award of the Railroad who are now only concerned about Labor Board, for the moderate ia- their material prospects. There is a crease granted the workers is pract prevalent expectancy of the breaktically of no concern to the employers, down of industry in the near future, fering in the cost with the interests their desperate condition and take of the transportation mangnates, but drastic action. Whether such action that would have entailed an augmen- will be governed by intelligence or tation of the burden to be borne by merely resolve into a riot of desperathe public, which might precipitate a tion remains to be seen. At any rate revolt. Robbing Peter to pay Paul they will have to face the music and and keeping the workers ignorant of take the bit in their teeth. Confronted the chicanery is now the only recourse by grim necessity no other course will

> In the face of acute economic con- to our economic predictions will then ditions, constantly growing worse, the turn to us for inspiration because they ism goes on the rocks. We will have thought and conceptions of life. We hysteria of the war period is rapidly will have no other port in the storm. to take control of the wreck, and out must be equal to the task, however disappearing in spite of the efforts of We should hasten to marshal our forces of the chaos that for a time will arduous, for the preservation of sothe bourgeoisie to keep it alive. When for the great work that is before us, ensue build up an industrial republic, ciety will depend upon the wisdom confronted by the basic problem of We are the only section of society The task will be a stupendous one, we manifest during the period of so-

the since the earnings are guaranteed by and a feeling of uncertainty is grip the government, and the increased ping the masses and compelling serious Western Federation The two hours during which the train made its way from Boulder to Denver passed by about twenty minutes of his busy almost unnoticed and another than the federation will simly be passed thought. They can give no reason on to the public, of which the rail other than that they "feel it companies almost unnoticed and another than that they be passed on to the public, of which the rail other than that they "feel it companies almost unnoticed and another than that they be passed on the public, of which the rail of the capitalist press is serum. almost un noticed, and now they were time in conversation with her, after is frankly allowed by both the Labor ulously refraining from giving pub-Board and the capitalist press. The licity to events transpiring in industcost will be covered by increased ry which are portentious of an apfreight rates and the "buck" will be proaching industrial depression that passed down the line to the consum- will divorce millions of workers from ers, which means another increase in their jobs and in turn rock capitalthe cost of living. Could anything be ism to its very foundations. Already more vicious or idiotic than such a multitudes of workers have been given program? It must be patent to the "vacations" through partial shutmost superficial thinker that no made downs in industry, information of God?" terial relief to the working class as a which can only be gleaned from the whole is involved in this award, for suffering workers themselves. This whatever benefits accrue to the rail- widespread pessimism is purely psyway workers must be paid for by the chological at present owing to the abremainder of the working class. The sence of positive knowledge, but when with those two compulsions in force Labor Board could have manifested the facts become public property the it will not be long until the whole still greater generosity without inter workers will be compelled to recognize world will have to hustle to catch

munist forces in that hour of tribuinto peaceful channels, if possible.

Those who have hitherto paid no heed all men OF SOUND PRINCIPLES, with the National Commander and the

masses to get an intelligent grasp of the situation. Then there will be waiting while the revolutionary forces ciples'. You see, why it is not 'ingather with a view to directing them deed' 'free to all men' but free to something doing.