

THE WAR IS DEAD VIVE REVOLUTION

WE stand in the presence of a revolution—not a bloody revolution; America is not given to the spilling of blood—but a silent revolution, whereby America will insist upon recovering in practice those ideals which she has always professed, upon securing a government devoted to the general interests and not the special interests.—Woodrow Wilson in the New Freedom.

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REVOLUTIONISTS CONTROL THE WHOLE OF GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

WITH the flight of the Kaiser to Holland and the offer of Field Marshal Hindenburg to assist the newly formed German Socialist Government the success of the revolution is assured. With the abdication of the Emperor of Austria, a triple Alliance of Russia, Germany and Austria is certain. Against such an alliance the forces of capitalism will be of no avail. Lord Milner, British Foreign Secretary fears that the revolution in Germany will greatly assist the Bolsheviki sentiment in England.

SHALL AMERICA BE THE NEXT PRUSSIA?

Jingoes Say YES!

Washington.—Shall the America of tomorrow be modelled after the Prussia of yesterday—after the monstrous and fatal military example which at this hour is sinking amid the ruin and agony which it has helped create?

Men at Washington know that the issue is imminent and may be determined irrevocably, either by the inertia or the conscious choice of the people, during the next few months. Between now and Christmas bills will be introduced in Congress aimed at the establishment of permanent, compulsory military service in the United States. Already the private conversations in corridors, lobbies and "better class" homes ring with the motto:

"The war is won! Long live militarism!"

Deliberate, determined and fully organized propaganda has been started to accomplish this purpose. Jingo politicians and editors will be supported by a deluge of "permanent literature," designed to make the people believe it were criminal of them to suppose that the war now ending will not be followed in regular succession by others equally bitter and destructive.

"Nation Trained in Arms."

A perfect example of this literature has just been issued by the publishing house of G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London. Appropriately enough, it is from the pen of Lieut. Gen. Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven, a member of the German Imperial staff. It is called "A Nation Trained in Arms," and is enthusiastically recommended to the

American people by Maj. Gen. Sir C. F. Caldwell, K. C. B., of the British army.

What Major General Caldwell said in presenting the book to the British public is passed on with applause to the American people. And all that he summed up in the concluding words of his enthusiastic recommendation, when he sneers at the present American administration and all the liberal millions of Europe by saying:

"Dreamer of dreams that conjure up leagues of peace will not find much more to encourage them in this little volume than was to be derived from its predecessor, 'Deductions from the World War.'"

Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven wrote his eulogies of militarism as the only salvation of a wise nation at a time when the "war map" showed Prussia victorious over all her foes in the present war, and when the Berlin oligarchy was pointing to that map as the only basis on which the entente powers might hope to procure peace. And his British eulogist penned his acclaim of the two books in June of the present year, just after the victorious German lunge toward Amiens.

Militarist Collapse Ignored.

Today all the ruthless foresight and preparation in arms which fascinated both soldiers has come to nothing, yet the present book is offered to Americans as proof that they should be guided by the Prussian baron's assertion that "German militarism, which our enemies first derided and then by degrees them-

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Revolution Grips all of Germany

German junkers' treacherous policy towards Russia reacts at home and places Germany in complete control of Germany.

The German junkers but a few weeks ago, drunk with military power gained in Russia, placed the mailed fist down on the Bolsheviki. We told our readers at that time, that the German soldiers would become imbued with the same revolutionary feelings, as possessed by the Bolsheviki. Today the German War Lords are reaping the harvest they sowed in Russia.

A wholesale revolution has wiped out the militaristic Government of Germany, and in its place a soldiers and sailors and workmen's council similar to the one that overthrew the Czar, has been seated in the Reichstag. The majority and the minority Socialists have dropped their quarrel and postponed all differences and both together rule Germany.

Austria has followed the lead of Germany and the rulers of both countries have fled rather than face the people whom they have so cruelly oppressed in the past. Von Hindenburg, recognizing the facts, has offered himself and his army to the Government, but the Socialists have decided that under no consideration whatsoever will they allow one member of the capitalist class to officiate in any of the offices of the State.

REPUBLICS PROCLAIMED EVERYWHERE.

Nearly every city in Germany is flying the Red Flag. A republic has been formed in every kingdom.

The Socialists are in complete control of the railroads, which they prevented from being used by the capitalists by declaring a general strike. They have enlisted the whole of the army and the navy to their side, so rest assured that success will be theirs.

Berlin, the seat of the new revolutionary Government, is the most joyous it has been since the war broke out in July, 1914.

Comrades Karl Liebknecht and Eisner are leading the forces of the workers.

The Danish frontier is being closely guarded by members of the new council of the workers, so that no German capitalist can escape into Denmark.

With regard to the incidents of Nov. 9 in Berlin the semi-official telegraph bureau, working under the control of the workmen and soldiers' council, issued the following report:

"This morning at 9 o'clock the workers of the greatest industrial undertakings commenced a general strike.

"Processions hastened from all the suburbs to the center of the city. Red flags were carried at the head of the procession, in which marched armed soldiers and all classes.

"The first procession arrived from the Ackerstrasse and Brunnenstrasse. As a preliminary the soldiers and officers were urged to remove their cockades and epaulettes. In the majority of cases this took place voluntarily.

"There was a general fraternization of soldiers and workmen. The workmen penetrated the barracks, where they received an enthusiastic reception from the soldiers.

"The military occupants of factories mingled with the workers, left the works and treated with them in common.

"The taking possession of a majority of the public buildings and establishments was completed without difficulty, once it was clear that the military had gone over to the people."

Deputy Scheidemann (leader of the majority Socialists in the Reichstag), in a speech said:

"The Kaiser and the Crown Prince have abdicated. The dynasty has been overthrown. It is a splendid victory for the German people."

SOCIALISTS SEEN AS MAKERS OF NEW ERA

Statesmen May Seek Aid of Party to Forestall European Anarchy.

Washington.—Men who know are stunned by the spectre of a red terror spreading westward over Europe and by the feeble means at hand for staying its course. Moderate Socialists who have long foreseen the peril of an anarchistic prologue to social democracy are being appealed to by bewildered European statesmen for aid in arranging, if possible, a more peaceful transition from capitalist imperialism to the new order.

American Socialist spokesmen, who have lived the lives of pariahs for more than a year past, may yet be called upon to lend their influence in diverting the now inevitable revolution of Europe into the least violent and destructive channels.

Before any intelligent policy can be adopted by the party, its members must be put in possession of the facts—facts which are at present withheld from general distribution by the disastrous conflict of officials which nearly always accompanies a great crisis.

Among those facts, established beyond denial, are the following:

Soviet in Control.

The Soviet government is in absolute control of Great Russia and its first anniversary is celebrated by the birth of a soldiers' soviet in Vienna, a peasant dictatorship in Bulgaria, and the rise of three other less radical (for the moment) states in what was Austria-Hungary.

Ukraine is lost to the bourgeoisie through the collapse of Prussia and will turn Soviet within a few days or weeks. The same is true of Finland and the Baltic provinces, and perhaps of Poland.

Propaganda carried on by the Russian Bolsheviki during their first days of power is as nothing compared with the fanatical campaign which they are now conducting for the capture of Germany and Austria-Hungary. Hundreds of their emissaries and bales of their literature are at this hour circulating through the Teutonic countries, operating day and night to further their disintegration.

Liebknecht, Ledebour and other Independent Socialists are working in agreement with Lenin and Trotzky to make Germany safe for Bolshevism.

Utter Anarchy Feared.

Every circumstance favors the enterprise of these agitators, save where, as in Austria-Hungary,

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DEFECTIVE PAGE

SOCIALISTS PROCLAIM NEW ORDER IN GERMANY WILL SHATTER ANY RESISTANCE

What Men Are Dying For!

In the great issue of 1918 far more is involved than the release of nations from the tyranny of Germany. True, that is the rallying ground—the reasons why the Allies and the boys from America are fighting so desperately. But back of all the shouts for liberty and freedom is the bare, cold fact that this is an economic war, a war for national supremacy and security. . . . A

conclusive and satisfactory peace in 1898 needed that undivided support of the American people. A conclusive and satisfactory peace in 1918 would likewise need the undivided support of the people, provided nothing but liberty and justice were involved. But the present war is now an economic war.—American Economist.

The Death of Upton Sinclair the Socialist Writer

THE MORAL DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY WAR.

The loss of human life caused by war is to be deplored, but no more than the moral and mental disintegration caused by same. The artists, writers, etc., that have been morally and mentally sacrificed in this war are many, and one among them is Upton Sinclair.

Years ago England and Ire-

land were stirred by the exposures of the Stockyards of Chicago. Sinclair's "Jungle" aroused the people, in a way, that no other book before or since has aroused them. The Socialist speech in the "Jungle" is a speech that will ever be remembered by those whose good fortune it was to read it. In those days Sinclair's name was a name to be reckoned with amongst the writers of the world. Today Sin-

clair has undergone a change, a change, in our opinion, for the worse. Gone is the mind that composed that speech that stirred Jurgis. Gone is the mind that gave us the Journal of Arthur Stirling and the other works of Sinclair. Today the Socialist movement lacks the Sinclair of ten years ago and instead we have lined up against us the foolish child of the War, who seeks to retrieve the past by writing of things that please the crowd. In the days of the beginning of the present war, the Socialists were pariahs and let loose against them were all the wolves of capitalism and all the renegades, that could be bought or were foolish enough to lend themselves without pay to the capitalist class. In the latter outfit came Sinclair of the "Jungle". Since those days there has not appeared one half-rate article from his pen. Foolish appeals to imprison the Kaiser on a island. Fulsome praise about our President, because he fails to understand that President Wilson is just as much a creature of circumstances as the man who sweeps the street. Upton Sinclair is one of the mental tragedies of this war. Men like Spargo we can forget, because renegades soon die and are forgotten, but men like Sinclair ever appear before our mind, as the face of child dead, appears before its mother's vision, as she sits and dreams of the past.

The reason for the writing of this article is because we have just received an autographed copy of the PROFITS OF RELIGION. This book is published by Upton Sinclair at Pasadena, California, and may be had for fifty cents paper cover and one dollar cloth bound.

Sinclair analyses all religions and in a way does some good. The worker who depends upon God to answer his prayers is of no use to the radical movement. We require men who will ask for things and also have the intelligence to organize and take the things they ask for. But in his analysis of the Catholic Church and the war, Sinclair goes out of his way to cruelly

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO TRUTH

KAISER OF GERMANY REFUSED TO BE DRAFTED SAYING HE HAS NO COUNTRY TO DEFEND.

libel one of the greatest figures in the International Labor and Socialist movement, Jim Larkin. Jim Larkin is not opposed to war because he is a Catholic. We were brought up in a Catholic environment and educated by a Catholic order, but our opposition to war is not because we were a Catholic, but because we were of the opinion and still are of the opinion, that those who declare war should wage it. That is the opinion of Jim Larkin, and we know Larkin better than Sinclair knows him. The man that condemns Larkin never knew what it was to do real work in the Socialist movement. We do not refer to spectacular exhibitions on Broadway, we mean getting down on the job in the slums amongst the workers and working with them, starving with them and organizing them. Jim Larkin today has been styled the "Un-crowned" King of Ireland. This is due to the fact that Larkin is the biggest figure in Ireland, because the work that he performed in Ireland has made Irish men and women better men and women for taking the advice of Larkin. Show us any labor leader who receives strike pay when his men are out on strike. Show us a man who refuses to accept a cent until all his fellow-workers' children are fed. Such a man is Jim Larkin. We are not hero-worshippers, but we are ever ready to defend a man whom we know to be a real worker. Sinclair knows Larkin and so we still say that Sinclair is a moral tragedy, a product of this war.

His book contains many facts about the Catholic Church, which maybe true, but do they help the workingclass? This book of Sinclair's would sell like hot cakes in the city of Belfast, Ireland, because Sinclair is doing the work that the capitalist class want done, that is, divide the workers on the job. Get the workers looking up to the skies and fighting over the question as to whether God is an A. P. A. or a Catholic, and where will your solidarity be? The basis of all religions, moral law, etc., is industry. If you desire to eliminate any religion, that is not built upon reason, then set free the economic forces that today enslave society. Once you make

men free on the job, they will think for themselves, because they will know that they can say what they like, without the fear of losing their job.

This book of Sinclair's is alright, provided you have read everything there is to be read. It is cheap, over three hundred pages of reading matter for fifty cents or a dollar for the cloth bound edition. You will enjoy it, because you will finally come to our point of view and despite the charges of egoism that may be hurled at our head, that is something to be joyful over. Read this book by all means and then reflect upon the Sinclair of ten years ago and the Sinclair of today, and you will most assuredly agree with our views on war.

J. C.
We will accept all orders for the "Profits of Religion."



SHALL AMERICA BE THE NEXT PRUSSIA

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selves adopted," is based largely upon "the rigorous demands upon the men which bred up that hard fighting race which has stood the test of the world war," and must, therefore be copied by all nations in a world made free for democracy.

Almost simultaneously with the arrival of this book in Washington two prominent American officials have returned from the French battle front. They are Secretary of War Baker and Major General Gorgas, recently retired as surgeon general. Saddened by the things they have witnessed, and fiercely anxious that this shall be the last war between nations, these men have been amazed and still further saddened by the callous disappointment over the approach of peace which is expressed by the swarms of army officers in Washington who have never seen a battlefield, but who have succumbed to the charm of their own environment and are keen to perpetuate it.

Content to Die in Bed.
"I remember the civil war, with its clash of big bodies of armed men in the open," said General Gorgas in a recent conversation. "and it used to be my dream that when I had reached my present age I should die in action, the death of a soldier. But in modern warfare I find no charm or illusion. I am now content to die in bed."

Secretary Baker was no less frank in describing the drab and detestable environment of a modern battle front, an institution which other Americans with far-reaching means of publicity are striving to perpetuate as a glorified phase of the future existence of civilized mankind.

Officers whose participation in the war has been confined to routine duty in Washington are in many instances entirely frank in lamenting the approach of peace, which they fear will mean a complete dismantling of the great organization of which they are now a part. These men cast about eagerly for pretexts for delaying the demobilization of the army.

Russia Made an Excuse.
"Well, you know, there is Russia," said one of them within the past few hours. "We will still need the army to straighten out the trouble in Russia."

"In what way?" he was asked.
"That anarchy over there must be stopped, and we will have to do the job," he replied.
"But our forces are there simply to assist the Czecho-Slovaks, or at most, to re-establish an eastern front against Germany," he was reminded. "When the German army disbands, that need will be past."

"No, it won't," he insisted. "Germany can get hold of Russia by business methods just as well as with an army."

"And are we going to use an army to meet business competition in future?"

There, the conversation stopped. It illustrates the thoughts that are in many American minds at present, and shows how well the soil has been prepared to receive the doctrine of Lieutenant General Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven, of the German Imperial staff.

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ry, extreme misery and race animosities make for the triumph of utter anarchy rather than of constructive Bolshevism.

Vienna faces absolute famine within less than 30 days. The whole country verges on starvation. Thousands of famished soldiers who broke from the battle front before the armistice are streaming back through Austria, looting every house that contains food and burning those baronial Chateaux where resistance is offered them. Moderation might win at . . . if the capital and surrounding country had food. Extremism will triumph throughout most of Europe, unless necessities are supplied to the hundreds of millions of men and women upon whom five months of winter are descending.

Before this prospect the coolest statesmen in western Europe have begun to quail. The instinctive impulse of conventional minds is to send armies from the allied countries to put down the maddened masses.

Full of Peril

But such a course would be full of obvious peril. Wiser statesmen content that it might be the last step needed to raise the torch of Bolshevism in France, Italy and England. Nor would mere force, without bread for the masses, work any fundamental improvement in the situation.

Censorship Prevents News.
At this critical juncture cable

censorship does not permit American Socialists and labor men to know the full attitude of moderate Socialist leaders in Europe. We are informed that Arthur Henderson, Albert Thomas, Philip Scheidemann, Victor Adler and others are doing all in their power to guide the revolution into channels which may minimize the misery of the masses.

But a free exchange of opinion and suggestions among moderate Socialists, in whom the people still have some confidence, is strictly forbidden by other men from whose hands control is being snatched by the prophets of direct action.

It may be presumed that President Wilson knows the old order is irretrievably wrecked—that the only real issue remaining is whether social democracy shall be attained through Bolshevik or moderate methods. But the isolation which this knowledge confers upon the president is still very great among contemporary statesmen.

While other men at the Paris conference imagine that they have merely to arrange the new frontiers of old and new nations, the president's spokesman knows thoroughly that the social revolution already overshadows every controversy of purely national statesmanship.

In this knowledge it is fair to suppose that he is absolutely alone among the conferees at Versailles. And to the same extent America may find herself alone if she tries to accommodate herself and her allies to the new social order which began in Russia last year and is now moving with scarlet entourage upon western Europe.

Before these lines are in print the president may have before him in official form the conflicting programs of those who propose to turn the peace conference into a "holy alliance" against social democracy.

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Today the war has been declared at an end. Peace has come, not because the ruling class desired peace, but because they were compelled to make peace in order to stave off revolution.

The fields of Europe have been watered with the blood of our fellow-workers and fertilized with their dead bodies. Cities and towns have been destroyed. The finest works of art have also failed to escape the ravages of war. So the question comes to our mind, is all this sacrifice to be in vain?

Let us not forget the fact, that the cessation of hostilities in France does not mean PEACE. It only means that the war of nations must give way to the war of the classes. Let pacifists indulge in an emotional debauch, but all of our comrades must be prepared to work as they have never worked before.

Japan in the far East has been recognized as a world power. The capitalist class who despised Japan before the war, were ready enough to use her in order to crush the bolsheviks. Japan enters upon the scene, as a "civilized" nation, understanding all the arts and devices of modern capitalism. Japan looks towards China, not as a lonely spectator, but with the greedy eyes of European capitalists looking on. China will be the next cock-pit of the world, as Belgium was during the recent war.

Why?
America is producing more goods than she requires, that is examining the position from the standpoint of the capitalist. These goods must be sold, that is why they are produced. Japan is in the same position. She too produces more goods than she requires. She too must find fresh markets. There is China with its millions of people. China is the best country in the world for foreign investments. That is what all the European nations think. They will not invest their surplus wealth in Russia, Germany, Finland or Austria. Because they realize that in these countries the workingclass are wise to the process of robbing that goes on day after day. Now some country is going to possess the right to exploit China. Which country that is, will be decided upon the field of battle, providing the workers of all nations, and they include America, are wise enough to say to the Imperialists of all nations, "By God, you said this was the last war and we are going to organize and keep you to your promise."

The reason why the revolution broke out in Germany so soon was due to the fact that Germany was not as big as Texas and yet she possessed a population equal to two-thirds of the population of the whole of the United States. It was impossible for Germany to sell her goods to her own people. They produced so much goods that outside markets had to be found. The search for those outside markets brought on the war and the war brought on the revolution. America is bigger than Germany and in proportion her population is not so great, consequently the American will be longer learning to appreciate the fact, that revolution is THE antidote for imperialism.

Shall we who have survived this war, allow those men who died in France to die a death that was of no use? That is the question we must answer. Revolution is all well and good in Germany. But you know that if you have revolution in one country and capitalism in another, that one must survive, they cannot both live in the same atmosphere. Capitalism must go if revolutions are to succeed, and therefore it is up to the American workers to back up the German workers by following their sterling example.

To do that, the worker must be educated. He must understand the economics of capitalist production. He must know why certain things happen, the cause of their happening and he must be in a position to know why revolution is necessary. Revolution is more than a protest against social injustices, it is the carrying out of ideas that are scientifically true and which are delayed by the forces of reaction in our midst and the ignorance of the workers.

It does not require much learning to know that the labor of the workers together with the raw materials of the earth is the sole creator of wealth. Impress that fact upon the mind of the worker. Show to him that he produces more wealth than he consumes and the disposal of the surplus wealth is the cause of ALL wars. Impress that fact upon his mind and you will then make him to understand why wars are unnecessary. If those who produce the wealth of the world receive it, there will be no need to worry about disposing of surpluses. Men work ten hours per day in order to produce this surplus, because it is out of the surplus wealth that the master makes his profit. So why slave and sweat for a boss to produce surplus wealth, when that surplus wealth is the cause of wars. It stands to sense that if the workers did not slave and sweat to produce the surplus wealth, there would be no wars to fight, because there would be no surplus to dispose of.

Education with organization will spell the death-knell of capitalism. The death of capitalism means the death of Imperialism and the death of Imperialism means the death of war. Simple, is it not?

Comrades, in this hour of rejoicing, do not let your emotions run away with your reason, but stand firm and be prepared to man the breach. Yours the task to perform, yours the victory to win. We stand today facing one of two futures. We can choose now. One is the future that means despotism and an industrial oligarchy. The other means fellowship and the industrial commonwealth. The one is easy to be got, ignorance and lying down on the job will hasten its coming. The other can be had by education and organization.

WHICH DO YOU DESIRE?

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS GOES TO EUROPE

Our dearly beloved friend Samuel Gompers went to Europe. We print an account of his wanderings abroad, taken from the Nation.

In some quarters, the foreign tour of Mr. Gompers was advertised in advance as a missionary campaign to convert British labor from the error of its ways. How far that was from his own intention is evident from a study of his actual movements abroad. He spent over three weeks in the United Kingdom. During that time, he did not on a single occasion come in touch with the rank and file of the British workers. He met the trades union officials at the Derby Congress, and the executives of the Trades Union Congress and of the Labor party at the Inter-Allied Conference. He also addressed a meeting of delegates of the London Trades Council. He lunched with the War Cabinet at the Carlton Hotel, was entertained at the American Luncheon Club, visited the Washington Inn for American Officers and even found time to witness a match and give an address at the National Sporting Club, the headquarters of British pugilism. But he did not once appear face to face with a popular gathering of bona-fide workmen in any industrial centre. South Wales and the Clyde are sometimes described as hotbeds of British Bolshevism. Mr. Gompers did not venture into South Wales, and his visit to Glasgow was to address a miscellaneous meeting called by the War Aims Committee.—The Nation.

Upon his arrival home, the following members of the Socialist Party and the I. W. W. met him at a grand reception given in his dishonor: Otto Kahn, August Belmont, Barney Baruch, H. P. Davison (of J. P. Morgan and Company), Ralph Eastley of the Civic Federation of Manufacturers, George W. Perkins, retired millionaire, John D., Jr. Samuel, whilst in England, had the honor of meeting King George and other members of the newly created organization known as the Degenerate, Demolishers and Devourers of Democracy. It was fitting and proper that these gentlemen (?) should extend the hand of fellowship to Samuel because after all you know what Georgie Cohansings, "Don't bite the hand that keeps you in your job."

Remember the words of the other Samuel, "Speak Lord, thy servant heareth you." In those days they must have known that Gompers was coming.

DO NOT FORGET THE CASE OF COM. DODGE!

"GENTLEMEN!—THE PRESS"

The press today occupies in the world a place unique in its incongruity. No other institution presents so great a contrast between the ideal and the real. No other idol has been so clearly convicted of having feet of clay. The ideal is the Press that is toasted at the Commercial Club banquets—the real is the Press that toasts the radicals.

No one even superficially acquainted with the history and achievements of the Press will think of denying the power for good it has been on many occasions. Neither will he question the fact that it has been the cause of very much of the wickedness, unhappiness and criminality that has made earth a hell many a time.

One inspired paper can inflame the minds of millions, so that they become easy prey for the war-mongers and profiteers. But whilst one paper can bring a nation to war, yet foolish as it may seem, there have not been a million people who tried to prevent war. One paper, by suppressing truth, can poison the minds of hundreds of thousands of people and inflame their passions against each other, so that anger will smoulder for years.

What were originally intended as news sheets to be issued for the general information of the people, and a little later became the media for general enlightenment and education, were in due course bought up by capitalists as an essential part of their organization for the express purpose of creating "public opinion."

Thus, what was originally to be a public benefit, has been corrupted by the base uses to which it is now put; what might have been and should have been a powerful agency for the refining and elevating influences of a broad, tolerating education of the whole people, has become a poison well.

Think of the censorship that has been exercised during the late war. Shades of Czaristic Russia and the days of the bastille of France! The war that was waged for "democracy" has been used as a pretext to crush the workers by crushing the means that would assist them to rise. To aid such crushing, the capitalist jackals have assisted their masters, so that the radicals could be rendered silent.

Despite the celebrations that are taking place over the termination of the war, the fact still remains that the workers outside of despised Russia and Germany, are today in far more complete subjection to organized capital than they ever were in any other period of the world's history. Rome with all her slaves never knew the horrors of a twentieth century slum. The excuse that the censorship of Mr. Burleson and obedience to the demands of the capitalists are military necessities is used to its fullest extent by those who have made dollars out of the very blood of those who died in France. Death with all its sorrow and horrors has not been too sacred for those who have used this war to crush the

radical press. The profiteer, soulless and shameless, stands today with his hands dripping with the blood of our boys and with our press torn to pieces in his mad rage at those who would tear the rags from society and expose its nakedness.

The liberty of the press, in the hands of the capitalistic junkers, has developed into unrestricted license, emboldened by immunity. The Press today is the modern Earl of Warwick. The Earl of Warwick was credited with the name of the King-maker, so great was his power. He could make or unmake a Government. So with the Press.

The day, however, comes, and is not very far off, when, in this country at all events, the Press will learn that it is required as a servant of the people and not as a purveyor of deliberate untruths and distortion of the real facts of life. Newspapers should be what they are required to be—public disseminators of general information—and not prejudiced, polluted organs existing only to assist in the aggrandisement of greedy profiteers.

Papers as they exist today, are a sign of the times, and they will pass away with the passing of capitalism. They are the biggest asset Capitalism possesses, and it is for that reason they make so determined a war upon the Socialists and those that strive for a better system of society. The policy of the Socialists being to place control of industry in the hands of the workers, in the interests of those who are employed in the industries of the nation, so excluding the idle parasites, it requires no mental strain to perceive that when the capitalist goes, advertising will go with him. As advertising keeps most papers going, when it stops, the newspapers will once more become news sheets and not merely private organs of unblushing mendacity.

DO NOT FORGET THE CASE OF COM. DODGE!

THE TRAGEDY OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY.

The recent elections have served to demonstrate that the Socialist Party failed in the greatest hour of its existence. Let us examine the results of the recent elections and in so doing, it will not serve us any good to simply hide our heads, ostrich-like, and think that by so doing we can overcome the cause of our failure to increase the Socialist vote.

In New York, the Socialists previous to the elections, vote polled was 20,000. A decrease of over forty thousand votes.

In New York, the Socialists previous to the elections, held eight seats in the State Assembly and one in Congress. They lost six legislative seats and the one they held in Congress.

In Minneapolis, they lost out, Mayor Van Lear losing his position, which means that the administrative forces of Minneapolis will be used in future against the Socialists.

To say the least of it, the above is a tragedy. At a time when the people were thirsting for that which would give them hope, the Socialists are blind to the under-currents of today, sought to obtain the votes of the people, by giving them middle-class reforms. The Socialist Party has received a well-merited rebuke. A rebuke that has had to come, in order to awaken those who formulate the platforms of the party, to a realization of the fact, that you can only bathe in the stream once. Like a stream, the world moves on, and the Socialist party that hopes to enlist the workers to its side, must be prepared to analyse and interpret the events of today in such a way that the workers can see that they have something to gain by joining with the party. The workingclass knows that by studying the platforms of other parties they can get reforms. The worker is growing tired of the present system and blindly he goes on. We must show him the way out, not by mere reforms, but by awakening the social consciousness of the worker. Make him realise that he has the power to do things. Above all, make him realise that he alone will be able to achieve his freedom. No delegation of his power to other people will bring about his emancipation.

The proletariat now enters upon the field of a worldwide conflict. A conflict that has got beyond the bounds of nations. Today Internationalism has established itself and no matter how we laud national enterprises, the party that can show the way to the workers must show it through internationalism. We must educate the worker to realise that so long as the junkers of America hold power, so long will the revolutions of other countries be hindered. It is not by speeches or the mere marking of the ballot, although voting is essential, but by stern conflict upon the industrial field that the worker will win out. The Socialist Party has got to sound the clarion call of industrial unionism, otherwise it will go down to sure and sudden defeat. The A. F. of L. today is striking out for industrial unionism. In Gary, Chicago and Pittsburgh, the workers are organizing industrially, whilst we of the Socialist Party are prating about reforms.

The factory, the mine, the farm, etc., must be won if we are to obtain a permanent victory. They can be won if we have the workers organized on the job. We can never organize them with "blue-prints" of revolution. We must organize them, so that they will know that why they are organizing and with what end in view. That way lies victory.

Let the tragedy of the Socialist Party campaign of 1918 lie buried with the past and let us at this hour sound the note of industrial unionism and so forever bury the failures of the past.

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The War is Dead--Vive Le Revolution

VIVE LE REVOLUTION

The Socialists of Germany have lived to see the day that they have hoped for and dreamed of. Revolution in Germany!

The Kaiser follows the Czar and Karl Liebknecht stands triumphant.

The Kaiser appeals to the Socialists not to leave the Government.

God, what a triumph!

Today we live to see it, red revolution on the throne. In the streets of Berlin, and before the Emperor's palace in Potsdam, stand the German workers. Comrades, in this hour we can well pause for a moment and allow our emotions to run riot.

The brutalized, militarized German workers today stand erect and no longer grovel in the dust.

The despised Red Flag waves triumphant over the Palace in Potsdam.

Today, comrades, we salute the German people and trust that here at home those who watched and waited for the German people to take courage and overthrow the Kaiser, will make the same appeal to the American workers.

John D. Rockefeller, with his power, along with the Morgans and the rest of the soulless American parasites, are ready to destroy the German revolution. Revolution has as many fears for them as it has for the Kaiser. They fear the rise of the people. So whilst we are celebrating the German revolution, let us not forget those at home, who have degraded and robbed our children of the best that is in life—Ludlow—Bayonne—Cripple Creek—Iron Range—Lawrence—and the thousand and one places where our class has been brutally beaten and murdered. **Workers of America do not forget.**

In the hour of the triumph of the German people, let the red blood flow through your veins. Stand erect and say today that you are as courageous and as full of red blood as your German fellow-workers. Do not let farseeing (?) statesmen rob you of your liberty.

Go back to your job and tell the glad tidings to your fellow-worker. Tell him of the revolution of Germany and catch the spirit of revolution. **Think, my comrades, and fellow-workers!** Think there stands the factories, mines, workshops, etc. They are yours if you will but organize. No power on earth can keep them from you. If you will but get together and understand that you are the sole creator of the wealth of the country. It is your labor power applied to the raw materials of the earth that creates the wealth, that is being used to enslave you. Do not let the wealth that you create be used to crush the revolution in Germany, but think and think hard. Think of what boundless prosperity your children can enjoy if you will but think and know that it is your power that creates all wealth. There is the factory that you built, there is the mine that you got the ore from, and there is the plant you made the steel in. All these can be yours, if you will but think and organize. Think now of Germany and in thinking do not forget that you are not free. The Kaiser, the soulless, sordid tyrant that he is, is grovelling in the dust, trembling as he thinks of his fellow-autoerats the Czar, who lies in his grave. At the same time, Rockefeller stands triumphant because you do not think and educate yourselves.

The hour is fast approaching when you must decide your future. If you are prepared to be chloroformed by the so-called brilliant speeches of statesmen, then the future for you is one of oppression and blind despair. It is no use thinking that because Germany has overthrown the Kaiser, that your future is secured. Your ignorance may spell the downfall of the German revolution. If you allow your ignorance to be played upon, then all hope is gone and the cold black future is yours. But if you will be men and let your brains get busy, then the future will be one of hope.

So long as there are countries waiting to be exploited, so long will the capitalists of America have a use for war.

The NEXT WAR, mark it well. Yet this war is going to end wars. It will if the people relegate Roosevelt and his set to the same place that the Kaiser is seeking for. A place to hide his miserable carcass.

The most cursory of reasoning, if it be honest, proves that this war can NOT be the last war, unless the people who wage—mark well what we say—unless the people who wage—NOT MAKE—all wars decide otherwise. And their power to decide is being taken from the people here in America.

Nor will there be any freedom come out of this war, unless the people of the nations who are fighting care to follow the examples set by the Russian and German peoples and that is to take it.

It is absolutely assured, that victory in this war lies with the Allies, but it is assured the Allied people that the workers will obtain any more freedom?

Only the renegade Socialist or the interested knave would go so far as to say that the workers will be given more freedom, because of this war. The events that have taken place in Russia and Germany only serve to

warn the capitalist class that their end is near. When the end does become apparent, then the fight for the retention of their profits will be made in no uncertain manner by the capitalists of America.

Look at what the Steel Trust has done to stifle the claims of the workingclass for a mere increase in wages. Remember what Rockefeller caused to be done in Colorado, for the same meager demand of increased wages? Remember the desperate fight that the parasites waged against the workers. Remember the raped women, the murdered babes and their fathers. Remember all these things and in so doing remember that when it comes to taking ALL from them, what a fight they will wage!

Whatever good is going to come out of this war, will not be granted by the rulers of the world. Whatever good may come will come in spite of them. It will come as a result of the determined efforts of the workingclass. It will come as a result of the opening of the workers' eyes to the hypocrisy of its rulers. Democracy will show itself in an expression of the discontent of the workers and not in the placing on of hands by an astute ruler. The good that is coming will be here, when the peoples of the whole world are strong enough to take it. Because after all the philosopher who said "that freedom can never be granted, it must be taken," knew that freedom must be fought for. Strong in the sense that the Russian and German peoples are strong. Strong enough to brush the ruling class on one side, like a housewife brushes the crumbs from the table.

There is a hopeful glow in things. Germany and Russia offer us great hope in believing that freedom of the workers will materialize. Freedom will come in the teeth of the bitterest opposition of those who made possible this "war for freedom." And the greatest factor in awakening the minds of the people to a full realization of their possibilities in that direction will be Socialism. Socialism will make them realize their power, a power that will enable them to strike off the chains that bind them.

Socialism in the past has been but a name, today a soulless capitalist class treats it as a means to an end and an outraged workingclass looks at it and accepts it as a means to emancipate itself. The capitalist Press has been unconsciously forced to act as a medium of propaganda for Socialist views. Look at the Herald and the News Tribune imbuing the people with a spirit of discontent. They little see in their "extras" the medium for bringing the people of Duluth together to fully understand and appreciate that revolution is the greatest destroyer of Kaiserism. But a few more extras and a few more Knights of Liberty outrages and the Kaiser of Germany will not lack company. Every world-wide act of the Socialists is seized upon by the press and placed before the people. The press is doing the work, that our masters in their arrogance will not allow us to perform. They are telling the people here, what is going on over there. Revolution is like small-pox—it spreads.

A few short years ago, the name of Socialism was laughed at. Today it is in the mouths of all peoples and appears in all papers.

Socialists, in the popular estimation, stood for an individual, who was carrying a bomb and ever ready to destroy human life. But he war has killed that impression. The capitalist class during the war in order to discredit us, called us mollycoddles, but it was not consistent to call us both mollycoddles and dynamiters. We were also charged with destroying the home and tearing children away from their fathers and mothers. The Draft Law killed that argument. We were further charged with degrading the marriage tie. But Harry Thaw and a few more idle parasites killed that argument. The war also assisted us in depriving our opponents of their free love arguments, by raising the social status of the war baby.

Socialist could afford to treat with a pitying contempt such evidences of ignorance, just as the biologist can afford to treat with contempt the silly outpourings of W. J. Bryan and Billy Sunday, and the cantings and ravings of church members who endeavor to destroy the discoveries of science with silly platitudes.

The above mentioned views although in evidence today, are fast being destroyed. Of course there are a whole host of people today who are opposed to Socialism. People of such intelligence that they would never dream of controverting a biological assertion without a thorough knowledge of the science, never hesitate (to their own satisfaction) to destroy the entire fabric of Socialist thought and theory, though Socialism is as exacting in the matter of thought and inquiry as biology.

The increasing activity of the Socialists since the commencement of the war, however, has done much to dissipate these puerile estimations of what scientific Socialism is.

The world now knows that it was the work of the Socialists that made possible the Russian and German revolutions. And hardly a day passes but comes the intimation by cable that this section of the Socialists is doing this and that section is doing something else in efforts to lift the world out of slavery into freedom.

The International Convention proposed by the British

Socialists aroused the capitalists of all nations, as a nest of hornets is aroused, and everywhere repression, sudden and severe, has been requisitioned against the noble men and women who preferred peace to war, freedom to slavery, gladness to sadness, and the glories of living to the horrors of death.

Nor has there been differentiation. From Germany to Australia, America to Japan, the same crimes in the name of a so-called democracy have been committed. But through all the persecution, through all the agitation, through all the bitterness of Capitalism, through all the tumult, the word Socialism has been resounding until it rings familiar in the ears of every worker and ruler in the world.

The word once used by the unintelligent with great diffidence, as a thing unclear, now forms the object of daily mention and criticism. Its principles are being expounded and criticized, and that is all that Socialists hoped for. Because Socialism above every other science, lives on criticism, grows by publicity.

Out of the horrors of this war, then, will surely come good; for, with the knowledge of Socialism, permeating through every stratum of society, the agitation for freedom will inevitably grow, until the movement is of such size that it can enforce its demands.

When that hour comes, the countries of the world, with no exceptions, will rock as Russia rocked and Germany is now rocking. And maybe the gains made will exceed those obtained by the revolutionaries in the land of the late Czar and the late Kaiser, when they lifted themselves and their country out of the fetid swamp of brutal oppression toward the golden hills of Freedom.

DO NOT FORGET THE CASE OF COM. DODGE!

For the benefit of those who may be worrying about what we are going to do about the man under Socialism who won't work, let it be understood here and now that the man who won't work under Socialism will be cheerfully given the full product of his toil.

Oh Shame! Where is thy blush?—Shakespeare.
Wonder did Bill meet a profiteer?

Necessity is the argument of tyrants, it is the creed of slaves.—Pitt.

Wonder did Pitt foresee some of the legislative work of 1918?

Kings will be tyrants from policy when subjects are rebels from principles.—Burke.

How's that, Kaiser Bill?

Ah! happy years! once more, who would not be a boy?—Byron.

Byron never knew anything of the necessity for Child Labor laws.

WHILST GERMANY REVOLTS

Last June in the city of Buffalo, a young crippled Socialist stood on the soap-box and appealed to his audience to embrace the principles of Industrial Unionism. In the audience was one of those types of human beings, whose level is lower than that of a rattle-snake. He insisted on asking a question about the war, but the young comrade refused to be drawn into a discussion on the war. Nevertheless the person caused a scene and the young Socialist was sent to prison for six years hard labor. By some stretch of imagination, the authorities succeeded in proving (?) a charge of conspiracy against the comrade. No workingman was allowed on the jury and all rules of legal etiquette were thrust on one side by the judge. Our young comrade, William J. Dodge, is a member of the Socialist Labor Party. The party is in a very weak state and consequently is not in a position to raise a large amount of money. Being a friend of Dodge, he has asked us to communicate with our readers, with a view to raising sufficient to carry his case to the Supreme Court. If every comrade will send us a dollar, it will help his case a whole deal.

In January we are to be tried, but this case of Dodge's is one that must be assisted. Will all of our readers send us at least fifty cents? If you send us two dollars, Dodge will send you a copy of the proceedings of his case, containing a masterly appeal by his lawyer, with a speech by Dodge himself and the contents of four Socialist pamphlets. Any reader who feels that he can afford to send Dodge ten dollars will receive from us ten dollars worth of books from our own library.

Comrades, Dodge is a "Jimmie Higgins" of the movement. Honest and untiring in his work for Socialism. You can show to him how much you appreciate his work by assisting him in his defense. Send us your dollar and it will be sent to Dodge.

Love of comradeship is the basis of our movement. Dodge needs your fellowship; do not fail him!

In Memoriam

Chicago Martyrs

WHO WERE "JUDICIALLY" MURDERED

NOVEMBER 11th 1887.

Say Not They Die

Say not they die, those martyr souls
Whose life is wing'd with purpose fine;
Who leave us pointing to the goals,
Who learn to conquer and resign.

Such cannot die; they vanquish time,
And fill the world with growing light,
Making the human life sublime
With memories of their sacred might.

They cannot die whose lives are part
Of that great life that is to be,
Whose hearts beat with the world's great heart
And throb with its high destiny.

Then mourn not those who, dying, gave
A gift of greater light to man;
Death stands abashed before the brave;
They own a life he may not ban.

Workers of the World--
DO NOT FORGET

Is This a Joke

THE ALLIES HAVE AGREED TO
ALLOW THE GERMAN SOLDIERS
TO REMAIN IN RUSSIA
TO KEEP ORDER

Bavarian Republic
Promises to Save
Nation From Chaos

AMSTERDAM.—(By Associated Press.)—The proclamation issued at Munich in behalf of the Council of Workers, Soldiers and Peasants, which constituted itself into a diet, announcing a republic had been formed in Bavaria, declared the "democratic and socialist republic of Bavaria has the strength to realize a peace for Germany, preserving that country from the worst."

The proclamation, after promising a constituent assembly to be elected by all adult men and women, says Bavaria will make Germany ready for a league of nations. It then continues:

"The present revolution is needed to complete self-government of the people before enemy armies stream across our borders or before troops should, after the armistice, will bring about chaos.

"The council will insure strict order. Soldiers in barracks will govern themselves by means of soldiers' councils. Officers acquiescing in the altered situation will not be hindered in their duties.

"We reckon on the co-operation of the entire population. All officials will remain at their posts.

"Fundamental social and political reforms will immediately commence."