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Debs Column

Creating Criminals
The capitalist system is the most prolific producer of crime...

be advanced. Unless this rule is followed great injustice will be imposed upon workingmen and women...

President Green's wage theory reduced to practice would mean the elimination of profit and that would mean the end of capitalism.

These reflections are inspired by press dispatches from Washington which detail the enormous increase in crime and criminals under capitalism during the past few years...

How the Law Works
If there is anyone who has the slightest doubt that in this country under the rule of capitalism there is one law for the rich and another for the poor...

KANSAS CITY, MO., March 3. (A.P.)—For a five-cent robbery, Robert Clark and John Jackson each were sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary here today.

The Worker's Wage
The address recently delivered by William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor to the students of Princeton University...

To vote the Republican or a Democratic ticket is to give sanction to capitalism and to perpetuate its blighting and degrading misrule.

Death of These Vicious Bills First Goal of Debs' Platform

With this issue the American Appeal takes the first step to carry out the Debs platform upon which is based the drive which will seal on May 1, 1926, in 'THE MONSTER DEBS' CITIZENSHIP SPECIAL'...

Berger Demands Probe Of Awful Conditions Behind Passaic Strike

Behind the refusal of President Coolidge to meet a delegation from the striking workers of Passaic, N. J., behind the coldness of Secretary Davis of the Department of Labor...



Police clubs in their usual role. The strikers attempted to picket a textile mill in a neighboring city. Twenty-six men, women and children were more or less seriously hurt.

The strike of 15,000 textile workers at Passaic, N. J., for living conditions, which has attracted nationwide attention because of the violence of the employers...

President Refuses Audience

They were refused an audience with the President. "It seems strange," said Albert Weissbach, strike leader, that "President Coolidge can see Charleston dancers and moving picture heroines and cannot see us."

Chinese Cable to Socialist Party Bares Plot to Crush People's Army

A cablegram from the Central Committee of the Kuomintang Party, China, to the national Socialist Party headquarters, Chicago, lays bare the latest conspiracy of the powers of capitalist imperialism to crush the nationalistic and Socialistic aspirations of the people of China.

Big Drive Starts for All Who Lost Citizens' Rights

Washington.—Efforts to secure the restoration of citizenship to all persons convicted for expressions of opinion during the war are being made by the civic and religious organizations which supported the campaign for amnesty for political prisoners...

Fight Starts on Alien Registration

Washington—Civil Liberties and free speech advocates will appear before the House Immigration Committee in Washington on March 25th to protest against pending bills providing for the registration and deportation of aliens...

Labor Backing for Debs Grows Rapidly

Following the splendid example of the Milwaukee Central Trades and Labor Union, the St. Louis Central Trades and Labor Union, representing many thousands of organized workers, passed a resolution unanimously asking Congress to restore Debs' citizenship.

One State Pledges 100,000 Names for Debs' Citizenship

A MacDonald (Glenarry) writes from Seattle: "Seattle and the state of Washington will send down to Congress 100,000 signatures of citizens who are ashamed of the conduct of the United States government while it denies Debs' citizenship rights."

Petitioner Presents True Stand of Debs and Socialists in Opposition to the War

(The following is a copy of a letter from William M. Feigenbaum, well known New York Socialist writer and newspaper man...)

By William M. Feigenbaum

As a constituent of yours, and as a candidate in the 1924 elections representing nearly 10,000 votes in the 8th Congressional District, I earnestly request you to support both with voice and vote the restoration of Hon. Victor L. Berger to full citizenship...

ing problems of their own, should solve their own problems and confine their crusading instincts to Southern child-labor cotton mills, to meddling interference with personal habits, to low wages and unemployment, to industrial autocracy and to political corruption...

America's Fateful Mistake

And if it were not for the attempt to settle the affair of Germany, Austria, Italy, Serbia, Albania, Bulgaria, Turkey, and all the troubled Balkan countries, it is certain that the United States would not have gone through the orgy of hysteria and hate and corruption that are symbolized by the names of Daugherty, Lusk, Sweet, Palmer, Burleson, Forbes, Fall, the German patent thieves and the rest of the crew of low creatures whose names are a stench in the nostrils of every patriotic American...

slaughter of war time, the heartache and the heartbreak, the hunger and the deprivation, the corruption and the hysteria and the hatred. The world would have been a better place for men and women and children to live in...

Debs Guilty of Telling Truth

That the "crime" for which Mr. Debs was tried involved no "moral turpitude" no one denies. That his sole offense was the statement of a position that was held by millions of people all over the world is patent...

In prison Mr. Debs comforted himself like a saint. His bitter enemies, the lowest scum of crookedness and criminality, his keepers and wardens all united in the highest praise of his conduct and of his beautiful influence in the Atlanta penitentiary...

Congress Replies Favor Debs Three to One This Week

The American Appeal has the reports of four more congressmen on the stand they will take on the Berger resolution to restore Debs' citizenship...

Why He Cannot Ask for Pardon

Now that he is free he is not a citizen. America's foremost humanitarian, a lover of his kind, passionately idolized by millions, an international figure—yet our government, that had pardoned bomb throwers, German spies, draft evaders, contractors who swindled the government out of hundreds of millions, murderers, dope fiends, still finds it impossible to restore him to citizenship...

Roy G. Fitzgerald

Of the Third Ohio District in reply to F. W. Kirkendall, secretary Railway Clerks Union, Dayton, Ohio, says: "I wish to tell you that I appreciate very much the kindly wording of your letter of March 1 and I am happy to assure you that I would vote any time for the restoration of citizenship to Eugene Debs."

James M. Mead

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George J. Schneider

Of the 9th Wisconsin District replying to Watson Lincoln, Green Bay, Wisconsin, says: "According to my understanding of the purposes intended by the Berger resolution, and the circumstances involving the case of Mr. Debs, I see no good reason why he should not now be given the right to citizenship. What ever the reason may have been that caused him to lose these rights, I think that every person will agree that the situation is now quite different from the war period, which might have caused one in question the inadvisability of such a course."

Bundle Orders for Debs Special Must Be in Right Away

The big May Day Special Debs Edition of the Appeal IS ONLY ONE MONTH AWAY. It is imperative that Socialist Locals, all other friendly organizations and individuals order big bundles as soon as possible...

The Bundle Brigade

With a long, long rumble, the heavy artillery got into action this week. The Locals have had time to get their machinery organized and the result is the steadily repeated orders for from twenty-five to a hundred or more every week...

Use at Once This Model Resolution

Resolutions by ORGANIZATIONS or ANY MEETINGS OF CITIZENS are just as effective as signed petitions. SEE AT ONCE THAT ALL THE ORGANIZATIONS OR MEETINGS YOU CAN REACH PASS RESOLUTIONS ASKING FOR THE RESTORATION OF DEBS' CITIZENSHIP.

President _____ Secretary _____ Seal

Many Italians Here Renounce Citizenship Under Mussolini

By Esther Lowell, Federated Press

New York.—Thousands of Italian workers in the United States are offering renunciation of their Italian citizenship in demonstration of their sympathy with anti-fascist editors here who are being deprived by their dictator Mussolini of their citizenship and property...

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The Press on Debs

The Case of Debs

There is no good reason why Eugene V. Debs should not be restored to citizenship, to the end that he may go to Bermuda in search of health, without the danger of being refused admittance to his native land on his return. There are hundreds of thousands of sound Americans who have felt all along that his prosecution and incarceration in the penitentiary was wholly unnecessary and unwise...

5 European Nations Sign 8-Hour Day Agreement

LONDON, March 15.—The eight hour day convention, adopted at the first international labor conference in Washington in October, 1919, was signed here today by representatives of the Belgian, French, German, British, and Italian governments.

Political

Politician—That hard boiled egg gave me a headache.
Friend—You shouldn't eat hard boiled eggs.
Politician—I didn't eat it. A fellow bit me behind the ear with it.

Do you see the old parties? Read the Appeal. Only \$1 for 12 months.

Socialist Party News

1,000 Organization Meetings Before the National Convention

The Socialist Party has set for itself the goal of 1,000 organization meetings before the National Convention in Pittsburgh, May 1.

First Goal

Five thousand new members for the Socialist Party before the National Convention in Pittsburgh, May 1, is a perfectly easy goal. We have lost our souls and surrendered—peoples, spiritual corpses!

Second Goal

Five thousand more new members from May 1 to July 3rd. (Easily accomplished. Inspired by the First Goal reached, and inspired by a magnificent National Convention.) Remember—have an application for membership card, ready.

Third Goal

Every member get a member on Independence Day. Then all march on together—an inspiration to one another, our Party inspired for the full campaign, our Organization increasingly a triumphant, first class educational institution for the economic and political instruction of the workers of this country, to teach what is wrong and what to do.

Do You Do Your Duty?

Why, Comrade, if all the Socialists in this country would pay their dues regularly we could print millions of books, pamphlets and leaflets—we could flood the country with literature. Of course—certainly—sure thing—you should connect with the party, pay dues and do something to have "something doing."

Restore Debs Citizenship

It would be a gracious thing if President Coolidge should restore citizenship rights to Eugene V. Debs, in response to the movement started by the admirers of the Socialist leader. This would enable him to make the trip to the Bermuda Islands which he contemplates, but which was postponed because of the fear that he might not be permitted to re-enter the United States.

Votes to Abolish Its Army and Navy

Copenhagen, Denmark.—The folketing (house of commons) today passed the third reading of the disarmament bill, which calls for the virtual abolishment of the Danish army and navy, leaving only frontier and customs guards and a number of vessels for coast duty. The vote was 75 to 71.

Appeal Army Column

The Newcastle Plan

Newcastle, Pa., has been repeating regularly. Bundles, subs and new members are coming from them in increasing numbers. Their plan of organization is so good that The Appeal wishes to present it for the consideration of other locals.

Montreal

"I do the because I like the paper," he says. "I find it is keenly alive-alert with good ideas and breezy."

Wm. C. Barcus, La Salle, Ill. writes

"The Appeal is growing better and better. Let us make it a million circulation soon. We could if each comrade would just do a little."

Worcester

Worcester has distributed over three hundred Appeals. "I hope this distribution will bring subs and wish for my success in establishing The Appeal upon a firm financial basis."

California keeps us busy

L. Hoffmann wants 50 rounds of ammunition for Los Angeles. Isadore Goldberg orders a bundle of 25 for the World News Co., also for Los Angeles. He writes, "The demand is great. Kindly rush."

John E. Pearson, Malden, Mass., writes

"I hope this distribution will bring subs and wish for my success in establishing The Appeal upon a firm financial basis."

Secretary Hoopes of Pennsylvania writes

"The Special Organization Letter you have prepared seems to me to be a fine one. I thank you for your cooperation and I hope we may have great success with it in Pennsylvania."

