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German Social Democracy Triumphs

Workers Throw Off Yoke of Capitalist Oppressors

The death knell of capitalism has sounded in the Central Empires. As a swift retribution for capitalism's mis-rule the workers have taken charge of the governments of Central Europe. Revolution, swift and sure, has swept first Bulgaria, then Austria and now Germany. Fearing to pay the penalties of their misdeeds the emperors and kings have fled while the fleeing was good.

With amazing speed the proletarian revolution has swept first one then the other of these countries clean of capitalist power. The Socialists are in supreme control. Little resistance was shown the revolutionary soldiers, sailors and workers, which proves how universal was the demand for the change.

The swift rise of the proletariat of Germany to supremacy in the nation is without parallel. Demanding the abdication of the kaiser, and threatening to withdraw from the reichstag if he refused and further backed by a general strike of the workers and the revolt of the imperial navy, the Socialists informed the kaiser's chancellor that they had decided to take charge of the German government. The kaiser fled and Socialism took over of the German Empire. The Red Flag was raised over the kaiser's palace and the reichstag building. In seven hours, Berlin, the capital city of Germany, had capitulated to the Socialists almost without bloodshed.

Germany is a Socialist state. Workmen's and soldiers' councils make and direct the enforcement of civil law. The majority and minority Socialists have combined to form the new government. All capitalist political parties have collapsed. The capitalists are without power. Cut off from the support of the workers, soldiers and sailors, the capitalist class is impotent before the advancing hosts of Industrial and Political Democracy. The workers are supreme.

German workers are laying the foundation of political and economic justice. The first laws instituted by the Soldiers and Workmen's Councils were decrees declaring a general amnesty for all political prisoners; freedom of speech, press and assembly; universal, secret suffrage for all men and women over 21 years of age.

The election of delegates to a national body for the purpose of establishing the form of the new government is being arranged.

Germany is safe in the hands of her workers. Another Socialist Republic has become a fact. To Germany, the second Socialist Republic, we extend the hand of comradeship and repeat in the injunction of Marx, her son and prophet: "Workers of the world, unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains. You have a world to gain."

REVOLUTION

Written for the Ohio Socialist by W. E. Reynolds.

An agitator may organize discontent. He does not create it. Our capitalist masters will soon learn that revolutions are not caused by agitation. When the ruling class in power fails to meet its financial obligations the industrial machine breaks down and revolution follows. In self-defense a new class is forced, through hunger and privation, to take the industrial machine and run it.

Our capitalist masters have been the self-appointed stewards of industry. They have failed in their stewardship. It is true, the effectiveness of the machine has increased during the reign of the capitalists. The productive power of the machine has increased a thousand fold.

From the human viewpoint the capitalists have utterly failed in contributing to the happiness and well being of the race. No system can long survive wherein 85 per cent. of the people are virtually propertyless and must depend on steady daily wages for a livelihood.

The moment our capitalist masters fail to provide steady daily employment, revolution will begin. It may be a bloody and useless one. It might be a bloodless transfer of the control of industry from irresponsible private persons to the organized toilers.

Revolution is sure to come. The degree and kind of revolution will be determined by the degree and kind of tolerance, if not aid, given the Socialists in spreading their economic propaganda.

Choose ye, ye greedy masters, which revolution ye will have.

The "Red Terror"

What is It?

By JESSE JASON RUFNER.

The Plain Dealer's editorial in the Nov. 11 issue on "The Red Terror," is certainly a corker. Poor old Plain Dealer, poor little penny dog of the capitalist class, it is even now tucking its tail between its legs and bristling up its back for fear the "Red Terror" won't stay rooted in Germany. Verily, we are glad we know the Czar was a weakling—and we are waiting to see what the Plain Dealer will make of the kaiser six months hence.

We are also glad to know that the "shaggy, unlettered" people of Russia are smarter than the Germans. We think it is awful that the "horrible Trotsky" should have so grossly misused that harmless "good, weak little man" the Czar, just because he exiled the no account working class to unpeppable misery because they happened to be burdened with a little gray matter of their own.

But seriously, Plain Dealer, it is well you have learned the art of straddling in the past for you will have to out-straddle all your previous records the next six months or I am no guesser. But for God's sake, whatever you do don't resurrect the kaiser after he has been hung and burnt and buried and foist him off on to an unsuspecting public as a "good weak little man" and hide behind his skirts until that "Red Terror" consents to stay "rooted."

Now what is this "Red Terror"? IT IS REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALISM COME TO STAY. Perhaps their leaders may make mistakes. Perhaps as they are not mere man worshippers, one leader after the other will be dethroned, but in the end the principle of Revolutionary Socialism will conquer. Personally, I would much rather Liebknecht was in Scheidemann's place, but even Scheidemann is a vast improvement over the kaiser. Now just suppose the "Red Terror" before it roasts, should swoop down over here and give the producer the full social value of his toil. Suppose he would pull down all the old lady shacks and tenements that house the workers and proclaim collective own-

ership of the means of life and empty the country of the useless parasites who neither toil nor spin. Wouldn't that be terrible? I believe he is capable of doing that very thing, and then the poor little lick-spittle of a Plain Dealer I suppose, will still howl at the tail end of progress.

We are evolving through the iron age. The methods by which men live have always controlled their political and religious thought. Verily the Reds of the world are in a fair way to change those methods and then the little old Plain Dealer can curl up in a corner somewhere and sleep itself to death. We are going forward into the "Co-operative age" with such mammoth strides that we can never be chased back into capitalism even by the servile capitalist press. Let us have a little truth and good luck to the German Socialist Republic.

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT GIVES POST TO NEGRO

According to the October number of World's Work, a magazine controlled by T. Nelson Page, United States ambassador to Italy, a Negro is a member of the Bolshevik government of Russia.

Commenting on this, the New Era, a Socialist Negro organ of this city, says: "This is the first time that a Negro has held such a high position in a great nation in the history of the world as ruled by white men. Thus again the Socialists show their true spirit of democracy and brotherhood in recognizing men according to worth and not to color. "What will the Republicans and Democrats think of this?"—New York Call.

In view of the oft-remembered statements by the leading newspapers of the country and the Jumping Gee-whillkins of Oyster Bay that Socialists are just naturally pro-Junkers, we marvel at the audacity of the Berlin Vorwarts in saying: "Between the kaiser and the Socialists there always has been the sharpest and most bitter enmity." But, then, the poor, ignorant creature, being right there on the ground, probably is misinformed.

Allies in League Against Spread of Bolshevism

To Send Food to Germany to Thwart "Dictatorship of the Proletariat" and Spread of Socialism to all Europe

By WILLIAM H. HARRD.
Chicago Daily News Nov. 13.
Special Dispatch From a Staff Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 13.—Now that kaiserism goes we stand face to face with bolshevism not only in Russia and in Germany and at Budapest and in Vienna, but in much of the population of Italy and in certain streaks of the population of France and of Great Britain. It is no less in the president's speech to congress on Monday is his call upon the whole civilized world to help to raise a dam against bolshevism in central Europe and keep it rolled back toward Asia.

This point is not expressed openly and flatly in the speech, but it becomes clear at once if we consider the speech and then also consider certain European political facts which have been telegraphed from Europe to the American newspapers and various officials in the American government at Washington.

No Time Now to Hate Germany. The personal information of these officials seems to indicate that the statesmen of London and of Paris and of Rome are not spending much of their time simply hating Germany and planning to make it as weak as possible. On the contrary, they are spending a good deal of their time trying to find a way in which they can make a reasonable peace with Germany. Kaiserism, after all, could never produce civil war between fellow citizens in France and in Great Britain. Bolshevism might. And in order to stop bolshevism it is necessary to co-operate with certain Germans. And then we see wonder piling on wonder and weirdness upon weirdness. These Germans with whom Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Milner and Lord Curzon must co-operate are Socialists. They have no power. Only two parties are strong in Germany today.

Various Kinds of Socialists. These two are the center party and the Socialist Party. But at least half the members of the center party are really Socialists. They remained in the center party only because they are Catholic in their attitude toward the religious side of life. The religious side of life is not important politically in Germany. They have not even a background, forgotten for the moment. And, therefore, at least half the members of the center party are co-operating with the Socialist Party. And German becomes, in effect, and at least for the time being, a Socialist country. And the allies have to begin to distinguish between different sorts of Socialism.

In Germany during the war there were three sorts of Socialists. There were majority Socialists and minority Socialists and Liebknecht Socialists. The majority Socialists were usually regarded by the allies as being pro-Socialists. They were therefore specialists in being anti-bolshevik. But it is precisely these pro-Socialist Socialists with whom the allies must now apparently deal on terms of common understanding. They are relatively conservative. They are anti-bolshevik. The Liebknecht Socialists, at the other extreme, are anti-Socialist. Liebknecht himself, for resisting the kaiser, went to jail and was therefore regarded by the allies with a certain considerable respect and admiration. But it is precisely Liebknecht who will now have to be resisted by the allies. He has become the leader of bolshevism on German soil.

Scheidemann and Liebknecht. Liebknecht believes that all power should be given to the councils of workmen's, soldiers' and peasants' deputies. He believes in the "dictatorship of the proletariat," like Lenin. The majority Socialists, on the other hand, led still by men like Scheidemann and Ebert and David, are holding out for the idea that people of all social classes should be allowed to vote and to have voice, according to their numbers, in the government. They are holding out for majority rule.

In the meantime the minority Socialists, standing between Scheidemann on the one hand and Liebknecht on the other, are apparently divided. Some of them tend toward "the dictatorship of the proletariat," and some of them tend toward majority rule and what we in America, understand by democracy. And it is nip and tuck between these two ideas in Germany today. The Socialists who want a government by all the people may win, or the Socialists who want a government by only the working class may win. And at this point we may begin to perceive what the president really meant when he talked to congress on Monday about sending food to Germany.

Washington officials who are in closest touch with German affairs believe today that if Germany is hungry this winter the Liebknecht Socialists will be enormously strengthened. There will be hunger riots. The councils of workmen's, soldiers' and peasants' deputies will try to feed themselves by stripping and destroying the rich. In the course of doing this they will destroy all existing society and bolshevism will be triumphant in Germany. And it will triumph elsewhere.

It will triumph in the Ukraine. The conservative government in the Ukraine has remained in existence only through German help. If German conservative influence is withdrawn the Ukraine is likely to be at least as bolshevist as Russia itself. And bolshevism will also triumph in certain parts of Hungary and in Austria if in those parts as in Germany there should be hunger and starvation and frenzy. And then there will be bolshevism among 250,000,000 people from the Urals to the Alps. It is hopeless to talk of policing and garrisoning 250,000,000 people.

Food Must Be Provided. More than this, the French Socialists, now led by Lougeot, and the extreme wing of the British trade union movement led by men like Smillie of the Miners' union, would go in instant strikes against it. It was hard enough to get them to vote and to dig coal for a war against the Hohenzollerns. Now for a moment will they vote and dig coal for war against the working class of Germany and of eastern Europe. There would be great strikes and there would be imitating outbreaks of revolutionary socialism from the banks of the Seine and of the Thames.

It was therefore no mere sentimentality that led the allies at Versailles the other day to resolve publicly that they would send food to the peoples of the central empires. And it was no mere humanitarianism that brought the president to the practical working sentence of his speech on Monday and made him say that "by the use of the idle tonnage of the central empires it ought to be possible to lift the masses of utter misery from their oppressor population." The president's Sound Policy. We are not going to engage simply in a lot of empty promises. We are going to try to help the conservative Socialists of Germany to make a reasonable peace with Germany. We are going to try to do it by providing them with food supplies with which to keep the mass of the German people reasonably contented personally and politically.

Therefore the president goes back to his original policy with regard to bolshevism. He showed it in Russia. His first intention about Russia was to intervene there with food and other economic help and not with bayonets. They have not even supported the Czech-Slovak success. By themselves, those wonderful Czech-Slovak regiments are still resisting the red guards, but are now obliged to fall back and retreat from Perm to Clermont because they have had no re-enforcements. We have failed to give real succor to the Czech-Slovak and Lenin is still on top in Moscow. Those are the net results of military intervention against bolshevism after four months. Humanity and Common Sense. The president now returns to his original idea about bolshevism and proposes to fight it by bringing economic relief to populations which are harassed and maddened by economic distress. It means that instead of sending masses of foreign soldiers into eastern and central Europe to tell the natives what sort of political government they must have, thereby irritating them further to frenzy, we try to help them get something to eat and something to wear, hoping that the calmness which comes with a certain degree of decent comfort will lead to a fountain of bolshevism in their political life.

It is a policy simply of common sense based on facts. A starving Germany, according to the best information at Washington, may be next spring a fountain of bolshevism immensely more dangerous than Lenin's because the Germans are immensely more capable and energetic than the Russians. To stop it the president will co-operate with the Scheidemann sort of German against the Liebknecht sort of German, through shipments of food and other necessities. That is the practical politics of his speech on Monday. It must not be considered an essay in idealism. It was a grasping of our only possible practical weapon against the world's greatest practical danger.

Pro-Junkers' Jargon!

By ROBERT E. BLACKSTONE

"Instead of following the example of the French of 1871 the German soldiery may emulate the Russians of 1917 and refuse to acknowledge any other leadership than that of the red flaggers. If this shall prove to be the temper of the armies Germany must SUFFER MORE FRIGHTFULLY THAN EVEN HER ENEMIES HAVE DESIRED." (Cleveland Plain Dealer, Editor.)

Now I appeal to the Department of Justice to arrest this human atom for "violation of the trading-with-the-enemy-act." If this is not giving comfort to the enemy what is it? If a Socialist paper dared print such twaddle, the editor would receive a little less than a million years for his "crime." For months we have heard the slogan: "Make the world safe for Democracy!" The Russians got on the job and they ARE making the world—that is the Russian section of it—safe, d—n for democracy—Social Democracy. In the effort, they have killed more than a million people. They have heard the slogan: "Make the world safe for Democracy!" The Russians got on the job and they ARE making the world—that is the Russian section of it—safe, d—n for democracy—Social Democracy. In the effort, they have killed more than a million people. They have heard the slogan: "Make the world safe for Democracy!" The Russians got on the job and they ARE making the world—that is the Russian section of it—safe, d—n for democracy—Social Democracy. In the effort, they have killed more than a million people.

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Proves Itself an Incompetent Liar

CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER, NOTORIOUS PLUTE SHEET, DOESN'T KNOW ENOUGH TO MAINTAIN RECORD OF CONSISTENT PREVARICATION

There are liars and liars. The variety is unlimited. To lie in a paying way, however, requires consistency and finesse. To be a good liar, to make lying pay is no fool's job. Brains and memory, the best of each, are requisites. Therefore, what would you think of a liar who, with millions in property at stake, and depending upon expert lying to keep it, would so far forget himself as to tell the truth and the requisite lie in the same breath.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer did just that. It fears and hates the Russian Socialists, the Bolsheviks; hates them as it would hate to die, for verily, Bolshevik success means its death, finally. The P. D. has hung the Bolshevik leaders time and again in its editorial columns. If the P. D. could only get to Moscow and Petrograd, it would slay Lenin, Trotsky, Peters, Gorki and about a dozen more, cut out their hearts and eat them raw, blood trickling down its voracious jaws and claws. But the P. D. is a long distance fighter only.

Although its hate of Bolshevism is engendered by the fact that the success of Bolshevism means the death of capitalism, the next of which the P. D. sucks for nourishment, it has made herculean attempts to make us believe that its dislike of Bolshevism, or Russian Socialism is due to its belief that pro-German gold has cast the Russian people into a slough of blood and filth. While editorializing to this effect on a rear page, the first page of its Nov. 7 edition contains a dispatch which is supposed to have come to the P. D. by special P. D. cable and this special dispatch informs us that the German Junkers, namely, the German gold threatens to, or already has, broken off diplomatic relations with Russia because the Bolsheviks are undermining the German Junkers by secret propaganda, carried on right under the noses of the Junkers, right in Berlin itself.

Think your think of a sheet such as the P. D. Nothing you think can be too bad a thought. A paper which receives a special cable dispatch to the effect that the Bolsheviks are extremely anti-German, and which then charges the Bolsheviks with being pro-German editorially is too dirty to be allowed admission into any home.

Here are both the editorial in question and the dispatch. Do you suppose the special P. D. dispatch, we also reprint an Associated Press dispatch proving the Bolsheviks the best of haters of German gold.

Bloody Plain Dealer editorial, issue of Nov. 7, which claims Russian Socialists are pro-German: "BOLSHEVISM SEEKS 'PEACE.'" The gang of gutter ruffians that rules Moscow and Petrograd has the supreme assurance to ask the allies for "peace." It suggests a formal conference to discuss the terms of settlement.

When the settlement with Bolshevism is made it will not be through the mediation of the workers and soldiers' committee. The newspaper says its object is to incite soldiers to disobey military commands.

The moral is plain. Support the Socialist Party. Support the Ohio Socialist, so that some day soon we may be financially strong enough to publish our own daily paper, a paper which will serve the interests of the workers, now so dispiritedly lied about by the "kept ladies" of the capitalist class.

Investors in Mexico

It is a bad day that does not bring us some news of the affectionate reaction of investors to changing situations in other countries. Never before has American capitalism been so self-revealed as in this period of callous material gain. Like a carcass rotting in the sun and bursting assunder at the slightest blow and sending forth its foul odors, American capitalism under the shock of world conflict reveals its vilest distempers. Like the carcass, it is sleek and shining outside, but concealing rotting things within. Take this from a recent number of the New York American:

"The American army put Mexican stocks up with slight assistance from Wall Street. Tremendous pressure will probably be brought to bear in favor of this program during the peace period. There can be no guarantee of peace for the world so long as private capital exists. It is a constant source of friction and meddling in the affairs of other countries. Socialize it, why not?—New York Call.

Moscow.—The Bolsheviks are revising the Russian higher educational system in the interest of the workers. The council of the people's commissars has decreed the abolition of all entrance examinations in the universities and ordered that persons of either sex who have reached their 16th year may register and attend any higher institution of learning without presenting a high school diploma of any certificate of an educational character.

Preference is to be given to workmen and poor peasants, and remaining vacancies only to be filled by persons of other classes. Tuition fees are also abolished, and poor students will receive stipends from the state.

FILE MOONEY APPEAL
WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Petitions asking for a review of the case of Thomas J. Mooney, California labor leader, convicted of murder in connection with a bomb plot in San Francisco and sentenced to death, were formally presented today to the supreme court.

California state authorities filed a brief contending Mooney had been granted a fair trial, denying his charge of perjured testimony and asserting that no federal question was involved which would permit the case being appealed to the supreme court.

RUSSIA BREAKS WITH HUN

Ambassador to Germany Leaves Berlin, Dispatches Say.

By Plain Dealer Special Cable. Stockholm, Nov. 6.—Diplomatic relations between Russia and Germany have been broken, it was reliably reported here late today. The Russian ambassador to Germany, M. Joffe, has left Berlin.

Copenhagen, Nov. 6.—The continued secret Russian agitation throughout Germany is likely to result at any moment in a rupture of diplomatic relations between the Berlin government and the Bolshevik regime, according to Berlin dispatches.

A Russian soviet courier's trunk fell to pieces in the Friederichstrasse station, revealing a mass of literature for distribution among the German workers, calling upon them to support the Bolsheviks.

Associated Press dispatch proving Russian Socialists oppose German Junkers. The German press is evincing considerable disquietude over the Bolshevik danger in Germany.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung publishes a long statement today concerning Bolshevik activities which is attributed to the Russian embassy at Berlin.

The Tageblatt says a leaflet has been distributed to the people of Berlin and in particular to soldiers, signed by the "workers and soldiers' committee." The newspaper says its object is to incite soldiers to disobey military commands.

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What Socialism Is

By CHARLES H. KERR. IV—The Co-Operative Commonwealth

The class struggle between workers and owners can have only one possible ending...

which poverty is indeed abolished, but in which the "best people" of Boston as they were in 1887 have laid down elaborate regulations...

By this we mean a society in which the good things of life shall not be produced for the profit of a part of the people...

When I say equality, I do not mean that all the money or all the wealth of the country will be divided...

Again, it is no part of the Socialist program to make wages exactly equal for all kinds of labor...

It would stop paying rent, interest and dividends to capitalists. It would take the children out of the factories and send them to school...

It would give at once to the least-skilled laborers enough of the comforts of life to enable them to labor to let them live like human beings...

It would at once reduce the hours of labor to not more than eight, to be followed by further reductions as soon as a plentiful supply of the necessities and comforts of life have been accumulated...

It would, no matter whether "money" were continued or abolished, sell the products of labor back to the laborers at actual cost...

When the Co-Operative Commonwealth is in operation the rewards of the various kinds of labor will tend to be equalized...

It is very certain that a Socialist administration would not control all industry from one central point...

Finally, Socialists do not want to set up a government to control people's actions. They believe that when everyone has an equal chance to earn a living there will be little temptation to steal...

Socialists do not want to do away with the freedom of the individual. On the contrary, they realize that today it is only a few heads and their hands that have any freedom worth speaking of...

the "for-Mooney agitator" was told by the president of the local that the boys had decided to give a dollar for each man in their local...

"The Bohemian ball crowd of miners in lower Dilwale, listened to the "so-called bomb cases," the program of Faithless Fickett, Crooked Cunha's contemptible utterances and "Alice Dunne's actions in the Calhoun trial..."

At the foot of the "Big Hill" the driver lit a stogie, (stogies are the fashion here), and settled down in a most comfortable driving position...

Half way up the hot motor stopped. Investigation showed that no Frankish kid had drained the water from the radiator. Suspiciously a hand felt under the motor, the "movie operator" in the head of the driver reeled off the "mental film" of the road between Dilwale and Harpersville...

Exploits of Mooney's "Red Devil"

By ROBERT E. BLACKSTONE.

Editor's Note.—Comrade Blackstone is touring the country, in which he is exposing the villainy of the victim of the vicious frame-up of Fickett and his ghoulish crew...

We are glad to publish this article depicting one realization of the danger which confronts them if Mooney is made to pay with his life for the misdeeds of his persecutors...

"The Red Devil's" driver crooked a finger at a coal miner's son as he eased on the brake and came to a stop...

"How far to Harpersville?" "Sixty miles and a half," answered the boy. "Good or bad road?" "Bad—bad like hell!" the boy replied...

"Come show me the way, I'll be back in ten minutes," said the boy. "Save my mister," said the boy, glad to get a ride, once in his lifetime, in an automobile...

A minute later "The Red Devil" entered the "sticks" and shortly thereafter waded through the river. Splashing water from both sides it went through and climbed the opposite bank like a baby monkey...

At times it appeared that it would have to stop, owing to large "wash" boulders, ironed rhyolites and up-and-down "shell" slabs. These seemed to have been arranged to blockade the passage of the Devil himself!

"Throwing the fetid water from each side in graceful sprays, "The Red Devil" dives through the "cooperish liquid" and for a thousand feet made its way up-stream over the lava-paved bed of the river...

The chairman introduced the driver of "The Red Devil" as a "for-Mooney agitator," the Recording Secretary translated the introduction into Italian, the Corresponding Secretary rendered the introduction into Slavish...

That, "brother," said the chairman, "will amount to \$250." "The Red Devil" passed under a suspension foot bridge, "Joquin Miller," with his whiskers, black suite and big hat, menacingly flourished a "suspicious object" and yelled: "Stop! Stop!"

Fondly fumbling the 25-cent piece the graybeard limped toward his cabin on the "suspicious object"—a heavy can...

The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK.

A SALUTATION

By RAE CURL.

O expectant mothers of the world, I greet you! Under your hearts lie the embryos of the new race, Wonderful plastic matter Endowed with hopes that fearful mortals have;

Today in your ears is the clamor of hate; But in your hearts must be the balm of Love. How then will the new generation inherit the earth With Peace and good will to men?

Know then that through your thoughts The Coming Race will be endowed; The fear of the present catastrophe Is the finger of Fate for the Mothers of Men, Will it point again to Hate and Greed; Or to all that makes the World most fair?

With calm Philosophy view the panorama Of Hate forced into woman's breast; Of life void of beauty and full of care. Let your true nature assert itself, Buried in the debris of ten thousand years. Love, peace and health must be your care To bring forth the race That shall heal the heart of the world.

Spare the Child

One of the most vicious forms of organized volunteer meddling in the United States at this time is the militarist propaganda of the National Security League...

Patriotism is used to cover a multitude of things, good and bad, but when the Security League uses the word it means militarism of the Prussian kind...

Our teachers as a class are against this militarist propaganda; but, with the pressure that the special interests are able to bring on them, we cannot expect the teachers to carry on the whole fight...

Some congressmen are now demanding an investigation of the Security League...

Reconstruction In Russia

(Continued From Last Week)

Declaration of Rights and Duties of Toiling Humanity

We, the laboring people of Russia, workmen, peasants, Cossacks, soldiers and sailors, united in the councils of the Workmen, Soldiers, Peasants' and Cossacks' Delegates, declare in the persons of our plenipotentiary representatives...

The economic subjection of the laboring classes by the possessors of the means and instruments of production, of the soil, machines, factories, railways and raw materials...

The economic liberation of the working classes from the yoke of Capitalism represents therefore the greatest task of our time and must be accomplished at all cost.

The liberation of the working classes must and can be the work of those classes themselves, who must unite for that purpose in the Soviets of the Workmen, Soldiers, Peasants and Cossacks' Delegates.

In order to put an end to every ill that oppresses humanity and in order to secure labor all the rights belonging to it, we recognize that it is necessary to destroy the existing social structure...

Only by giving society a Socialistic structure can the division of it into hostile classes be destroyed, only so can we put an end to the spoliation and oppression of men by men...

The complete liberation of the laboring classes from spoliation and oppression appears as a problem not locally or nationally limited, but as a world problem, and it can be carried out to its end only through the united exertions of workmen of all lands...

The working class of Russia, true to the legacy of the International, overthrew their bourgeois in November, 1917, and, with the help of the poorest peasantry, seized the powers of government...

- 1. Abolition of property in land, declaration of the entire soil as national property, and the distribution of it to the workmen without purchase money... 2. Declaration as national property of all forests, treasures of the earth and waters of general public utility... 3. Introduction of a labor workmen's control of industry, and for the nationalization of a number of branches of industry...

OUR WEEKLY POEM

Inspiration

By DAVID P. BERENBERG.

I dreamed of you in the night, I was not sleeping; You came with a vision of light, Like a star up-leaping...

What are you? Why do you come? I dreamed of asking; It seemed of living the sum To be there basking, Bathed in the light of your eyes!

Are you a breath of the Past, Something forgotten? Are you my dream of the Vast, Fancy begotten? Like a great swelling of song The still night breaking; You are a righting of wrong, My wild thirst slaking!

of all men; as soon as the old bourgeois state, with its classes and class hatred, is definitely superseded by a firmly established Socialistic society, which rests upon universal labor...

These are the immediate internal problems of the Soviet Republic. In its relations to other nations the Soviet Republic stands upon the principles of the first international, which recognized truth, justice and morality as the foundation of its relations to all humanity...

The Socialist Soviet Republic recognizes that wherever one member of the family of humanity is oppressed all humanity is oppressed, and for that reason it proclaims and defends to the utmost the right of all nations to self-determination, and thereby to the free choice of their destiny.

The Soviet Republic has transformed into deeds the principles proclaimed before its existence. The right of Poland to self-determination having been recognized in the first days of the March revolution...

In its efforts to create a league—free and voluntary, and for that reason all the more complete and secure—of the working classes of all the peoples of Russia, the Soviet Republic declared itself a federal republic...

The Soviet Republic has declared war upon war, not only in words but also in deeds; and in doing so it formally and in the name of the working masses of Russia announced its complete renunciation of all efforts at conquest and annexation...

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Compelled by the policy of violence practised by the Imperialisms of all the world, the Soviet Republic is marshalling its forces for resistance against the growing demands of the robber packs of international capital, and it looks to the inevitable rebellion of the working classes for the solution of the question of how the nations can live peacefully together...

Taking its stand upon the principles of the International, the Soviet Republic recognizes that there can be no rights without duties and no duties without rights, and therefore proclaims at the same time with the rights of the working classes in a rejuvenated society the following outline of their duties:

- 1. To fight everywhere and without sparing their strength for the complete power of the working classes, and to stamp out all attempts to restore the dominion of the despoilers and oppressors. 2. To assist with all their strength in overcoming the depression caused by the war and the opposition of the bourgeoisie...

In proclaiming these rights and duties the Russian Socialist Republic of the Soviets calls upon the working classes of the entire world to accomplish their task to the very end, and in the faith that the Socialist ideal will soon be achieved to write upon their flags the old battle cry of the working people: Proletarians of all lands, unite!

(Continued in Next Issue)

Making "Loyal Americans"

The theory on which the censorship of works in public libraries is proceeding is that we are a nation of simpletons who require the intellectual guidance of superiors. It is feared that a man or woman who reads a book containing some favorable reference to German literature, German music, German history, or anything German, will become hopelessly infatuated with German militarism and statesmanship...

When these gentlemen get through with this work, we are sure that this country will be safe for intellectual democracy. The famous "Works of Bertha M. Clay, Laura Jean Libby, Lydia Pinkham, Nick Carter and other literary artists will remain undisturbed. If any patron of a public library is then suspected of an original idea arrangements can be made to plane his skull down, scoop out the gray matter and insert some buckwheat batter instead...

When the recording angel puts it down that Senator Penrose accuses Henry Ford of profaneing, he'll laugh till he falls off his cloud.

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WITH OUR EDITORS

A change of beds in today's hospital of life seems to be the only aim of the old party voter.

WHO ARE THE "FERNINSTERS" OF NEW RUSSIA?

It is never a sign of intelligence to be for or against something just because certain persons of uncertain prominence are for or against it.

The general used to prosper on the backs of others in Russia. He was a colonel in the Russian army when the war broke out...

What makes the doctor expostulate thusly? Only because he's been used to riding on the coattails of the oppressors, giving them a "hee" and a "haw" when in his wisdom a little steering was needed.

NOV. 7, 1918—AND WHY?

That was the date upon which the United Press, by mistake, informed the people of the United States that an armistice with Germany had been signed.

that hoax are not behind prison bars? No more flagrant violation of the espionage act is possible than that perpetrated by the United Press...

A PECULIAR SITUATION What raving capitalist editors at this time undoubtedly think a "peculiar situation" is that which has to do with allied intervention in Siberia.

Prescription for Subscriptions By EDWIN PETERSON Talking about getting subs. for the Ohio Socialist, that is easy, but to actually get the subscriptions...

Working for Socialism is to be in the forefront of the work of the party.

We're Talking to You—Party Member Yes, we're talking to you, comrade party member and this is what we have to say.

Defense Meetings for Piqua Socialists Comrades Frank B. Hamilton, mayor, and Louis H. Neff, city councillor...

HUNGARIAN COMRADES ORGANIZE The Hungarian comrades of Adena, Ohio, have organized a local of twenty-three members.

Former Secretary Free We are glad to learn that Comrade Edwin Firth, former State Secretary of West Virginia...

SOON BACK IN HARNESS We are in receipt of a letter from Comrade W. A. Jenkins, District Organizer of Columbiana county...

OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members GEAR UP FOR ACTION

A "Red Letter" Saturday

Saturday at the State Office is "clean-up" day. It's the day we try to catch up on any delayed work that is hanging fire from the week's activities.

Well, there was quite a bit of mail but the best part were these letters: First opened was an envelope of "Gleanings" from Comrade Reynolds...

And then there's a letter from Comrade Allen Cook, a member of the Red Hundred. In the letter he checks for the dollars for subscription cards...

Dear Comrade: Things are taking form so swiftly and the world is moving toward Socialism so fast that I do not consider it a good time to waste time starting State Socialist papers...

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YOUR DUES ARE DUE

Monthly Financial Report

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Balance on hand Oct. 1... \$1,437.83, October receipts... 1,713.94, Total... \$3,151.77, October expenses... 1,844.24, Balance Nov. 1... \$1,307.53.

Gleanings FROM THE LOG OF AN AGITATOR By W. E. REYNOLDS.

The censorship is off on the movement of troops. Wonder if the censorship is off on the telling of truth?

Peace—and once again the pulpit pounders can beautifully prattle about "peace on earth, good will to men" without glaringly exposing their hypocrisy.

Jim wants to know the answer to the question: If you can't be an American citizen can you be an American?

According to the newspaper dope England is to get the German colonies and America is to get the responsibility of maintaining world peace.

To the thousands who are in the country's jails and penitentiaries as a result of their political and industrial convictions...

A FEW ELECTION RETURNS

Very few election returns have reached the State Office. We quote a few which have been received.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY LOST—Five or six branches in Belmont County. Finder please notify Socialist headquarters...

DOES EDUCATION EDUCATE? One of "our boys" now serving with a medical unit in London writes us this amusing account of the crowd he is with:

MURDERER OF TYRANT IS FREE Amsterdam—Dr. Friedrich Adler, who assassinated Austrian Premier Sturgkh on October 21, 1916, has been released from prison, according to Vienna advices.

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