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Mussolini Spurns Idea of World Disarmament

Reiterates Italian Imperialism in Speech—Policy, if Maintained, Will Plunge World in Race of Death

Rome.—Italy has no intention of disarming until disarmament is complete on land, sea, and air.

Will Bless No More Wars

"Let me tell you why we ministers are so 'touchy' on the subject of military training.

And They Say It Can't Be Done

Woodward, Oklahoma has a municipal light and water plant. A report just submitted by O. J. Olson, superintendent, shows that this plant

The Railroad Telegrapher, a capitalist, anti-public ownership sheet, reports that "The South American Railway

The gigantic Canadian farmers' wheat pool has reached out for another avenue for grain shipment with the leasing of a government elevator

Student Revolt Against Goose Step Spreads

Youth of Eight Midwest Colleges to Hold Conference to Hear Both Sides of Social Problems

The goose-step, described by Upton Sinclair, under which the students of our institutions of higher learning are forced to march to the tune of American capitalism, and once other, is booming back upon its rich and respectable promoters.

The latest movement of this kind is in the Midwest. The progressive students of eight colleges and universities in Kansas and Missouri will hold a Midwest Student Conference in Kansas City, June 13-14-15, which in the real sense will be an open forum on vital social issues.

The purpose of the conference, as stated in Mr. Senior's letter, is significant of the revolt that is spreading among the students of America against controlled capitalist teaching and goose-step education.

"The Midwest Student Conference arose out of the realization which has been growing among the students out here that they were not being given a well-balanced view of society as it is, and as it might be.

The schools represented in the conference are the Baker University, Commonwealth College, Kansas City Junior College, Kansas City School of Law, Missouri Wesleyan College, Park College, University of Kansas, University of Missouri.

Lincoln Phifer of the American Appeal staff will represent the Socialist party in a speech on Monday, June 14

The Broadcaster

The people are finding out that contentment has been preached to them only that exploiters might go through their pockets.

There were never too many laws so long as the interests wanted special privilege. It is only when the people ask relief from exploitation that there are too many laws.

The United Parties of America refuse to do anything for the farmer. They might do something for the bankers, with the promise that the bankers could do something for the farmer; that is all.

There is no Republican party. There is no Democratic party. There are only amalgamated agents of the interests.

There has been ten times as much exploitation of America during the last ten years as there was by pirates or the looters of the first two centuries of our history; and the exploiters have been just as hypocritically religious as were the freebooters and the murderers of that period.

In all history there never was such flagrant mismanagement of public affairs as there has been since the war, when there has been the most boasting of achievement. All the achievement has been destructive.

Watch for the public schools! They are being given to the rich; and the time is at hand when it will be argued that the poor do not need much education.

Within five years it will probably be generally admitted that the last war was forced, not so much by Germany, as by the pressure of international bankers in a conspiracy to control the industries of the world.

Plutocracy or bank rule has been supreme for ten years. The capitalist class, in the sense of those who really do business rather than play with papers called stocks and bonds, will shortly awaken to the fact that it has been reduced to an subordinate place as has the working class.

The farmer is a serf right now. He is bound to the land, but he does not own the land, free, and he gets no profit from it.

Socialists Hold Indiana Convention

Beat State Meet in 4 Years—Every Delegate an Appeal Subscriber

The largest, most widely representative and most enthusiastic Socialist convention in Indiana in four years met in Indianapolis Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23, and gave a striking demonstration in spirit and morale.

The contagion spread into the galleries. NOT ONLY DID THE VISITORS ALL SUBSCRIBE FOR THE APPEAL, BUT EIGHT OF THEM JOINED THE PARTY AS MEMBERS AT LARGE.

A full state and U. S. senatorial ticket was nominated; a state platform was adopted; pledges were taken and a good sum raised to help maintain the state office and further the plans during the campaign.

The Ticket

United States Senator, long term—Forrest Wallace, Veedersburg, Ind.

United States Senator, short term—William O. Fogleson, Indianapolis.

Secretary of State—Clarence E. Bond, Muncie.

State Auditor—E. M. Mueller, Indianapolis.

State Treasurer—S. Pollo, Clinton.

Clerk of Supreme Court—Mary Fogleson, Indianapolis.

Supt. Public Instruction—Lois E. Newland, Indianapolis.

Supreme Court, 3rd District—Phil K. Reinbold, Terre Haute.

Judge Supreme Court, 5th District—J. E. Schrader, Elkhart.

Judge Appellate Court, 1st District—A. C. Carroll, Kokomo, and Martin O'Connor, Crawfordsville.

Judge Appellate Court, 2nd District—Dan-Cl. Adams, Rosedale, and John Truckey of Vincennes.

Greenies were wired to Eugene V. Debs of Terre Haute, who was ill and unable to be present, and to the new National Executive Secretary, William H. Henry.

Emma Henry resigned as state secretary as she is leaving the state and the State Executive Committee selected Mrs. Effie Mueller of Indianapolis as her successor. The state office will be 205 Holliday Building, Indianapolis.

Every movement of plutocracy has been a blunder. It has not initiated a conference or proposition for world betterment that worked out in fact.

European hatred of America is occasioned by American bankers; but the American victims of American bankers will have to pay for it.

The unrest is universal. The very suppression of Socialism is causing it to grow.

British Laborite Wins Tory Seat in Parliament

Reveals Significant Swing as Result of Strike and Treachery of Bosses and Government

U. S. Liberty Still Slipping

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Debs Gives \$500 to Start Appeal Promotion Fund

Feeling that the time has come for a concentrated drive for a vast circulation for the American Appeal and for a drive to strengthen and upbuild the Appeal, Comrade Debs from his home in Terre Haute this week sent a \$500 check as a gift to the American Appeal.

This magnificent gift from the foremost Socialist in America is intended as the starter of an AMERICAN APPEAL PROMOTION AND SUSTAINING FUND.

Every Socialist in the United States who is able, is expected to aid this fund for a BIGGER, BETTER AND MORE WIDELY CIRCULATED APPEAL.

The Appeal Staff felt that Debs should not make such a large financial sacrifice. To their attempt to return the gift, Debs replied:

"The contribution I made to the Appeal was gladly made. I could not think of having it returned. It is the least I could do and I hope to do more when my health allows."

Debs Sounds Call for Greater Appeal Army Activity

This message is addressed to every reader of the American Appeal, to every subscriber, to the principled, energetic and who sympathize with the cause it represents.

dom, their happiness and their very lives, but to influence legislation that binds and gags them in servitude, strips them of the last vestige of their constitutional rights, subjects them to fear, cowardice and intimidation, and drives them into war to be slaughtered wantonly as if they were wild beasts instead of human beings, thus subverting every principle of popular government, and prostituting to their own base and sordid ends all the economic powers, political agencies, and social institutions of the people.

task of every man and every woman who has interest enough in decent government, in freedom and righteousness, and in making this a better world, to line up in the struggle and to lend a hand in developing the educational power that is to emancipate the people.

Yes, dear comrades and friends, we need you all and we appeal to you all, and to each of you, to step forth and show your colors, to assert your moral courage and determination as well as your good will in backing up the American Appeal as the dauntless champion of the cause of the people in the world-wide struggle against their exploiters and oppressors, and as the herald of the dawn of human freedom and of a civilized world.

grow. It will make the party and the movement. COMRADES, THERE HAS BEEN A SLACKENING OF YOUR EFFORTS SINCE THE ADVENT OF SPRING. This will never do. It is urgently, supremely important that you immediately renew those splendid activities by which you honored yourselves and launched the American Appeal so successfully at the beginning of the year.

MEMBERS OF THE APPEAL ARMY, we are counting on you. Give us a glorious response at once. It will have a wonderful effect. How many will stand up and be counted? How many of you WILL DO SOMETHING THIS WEEK? I appeal to you—every one of you—to use this subscription blank.

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Sweet Land of Liberty

The annual report of the American Civil Liberties Union for 1935, just issued, brings out strikingly the present status of freedom in our Sweet Land of Liberty. The following are among the facts reported:

Violator of civil liberties in the United States. It has more political prisoners and more restrictive measures, than 77 political prisoners in America. 51 are held in California.

Forty instances of mob violation were recorded against 41 in 1934 and 50 in 1935. Twenty-two meetings were stopped in 1935, compared with 24 in 1934 and 58 in 1933.

With the Workers Around the World

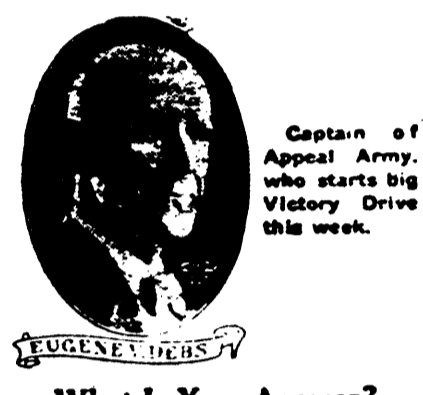
Australia: Following the refusal of the Australian government to discipline them, fascist organizers of the Australian Command of British Fascists are enrolling recruits. From the answers to questions on the enrollment forms will be prepared a classified list of strike-breakers.

Sweden: The Socialist cabinet of Sweden faces a coalition of parties that may compel it to retire over the question of paying unemployed insurance to strikers. The Socialist party of Sweden was strong enough to put through a law under which employees thrown out of work in industry receive a certain weekly payment.

China: Big news from China. A dispatch from Peking says that the Kuomintang (People's Army), after two days of desperate fighting, debouched from Nankow pass and broke the line of the Manchurian war dictator, compelling its retirement to within eleven miles of Peking.

Means all liberalism, all democracy, all independent efforts of the workers to better their conditions. Aided by General Wu Peifu, who represents British backing, he drove the Kuomintang army from Peking several months ago.

Appeal Army News-Hints for Big New Circulation Drive



What is Your Answer?

No member of the Appeal Army will remain unmoved when he or she reads on the front page of this issue about Debs' magnificent gift of \$50 toward making the Appeal a bigger, better and more widely circulated paper.

It is a field we cannot afford to neglect right now. There are thousands of members right now who will read the Appeal with pleasure, sympathy and an open mind.

Here is still another valuable hint: E. A. Hennessy, Oakland, Cal., lists the Appeal a jolt with eleven subs and says: "All the above are Socialists. I received a few copies of the Appeal from a comrade and I felt that I should do a little missionary work."

There isn't any better and more fruitful missionary work than taking copies of the Appeal to old Socialists and getting them interested again in the movement. All of them except a few who are completely discouraged or disheartened and have become bitter as a result will become interested and subscribe.

It isn't hard to find these old-time Socialists if you set right down to the job of looking them up. Where there are still organizations of you can trace many of them in the records. You can find many names by asking the Socialists you meet after the names and addresses of all the Socialists they know.

Right at this point, it is worth while to consider the value of this field in which such men as Rev. Brewster work for its present value for Socialist propaganda. War, brutal exploitation, class war, the production of slum conditions and other outrageous phases of the capitalist system are driving the ministers and other churchmen and especially the youth of the Christian churches to Socialism at a rate that few Socialists in America suspect at this time.

you like it, tell us about it. It is remarkable the amount of praise we can absorb and come up smiling for more. If you don't think it is hitting the ball, let us so, and tell us how we could make it hit the ball better.

In looking over the present batch of sub orders, as either saw a ghost, or else an encounter of the name of A. T. King, Richmond, Ind., two large batches of subs in a week is going some. That's another good hint for the ambitious Army Scouts.

Let us look up the good work! writes Louis Silver, Hamtramck, Michigan. As he turns over a couple of prisoners, a well-known former revolutionist told me that there would be nothing left of the Socialists in about a year. Wall Street and the Communists do not like to see the Socialists grow.

Here comes another suggestion. This time from a comrade in business, B. E. Ordway, Altadena, Cal. Comrade Ordway sends in a sub with this history: "Just bought a washing machine and insisted on holding out from the seller \$1 to pay for the Appeal for them. It was the Stenz Electric Company of Pasadena. To my surprise, I found the 'Stenz' was an old-time reader of the Appeal to Wilson and was more than glad to be held up to buy the American Appeal."

"I am certainly enjoying the Appeal and trust you will meet with every success in your efforts," writes C. W. Betty of Webster Grove, Mo., as he fires of two subs. The Appeal certainly likes to be appreciated in this manner, and right here the staff begs leave to invite the Army to express itself freely about the Appeal. If you don't like it, say so, and say why. If

Germany: This year's May Day in Germany was more than an annual holiday. It marked the birth of a new spirit of confidence and self-reliance. Demonstrations were well attended throughout Germany. Every hall was filled in Berlin.

Switzerland: At the cantonal election for the canton of province of which Berne is the capital, the Social Democratic party gained one seat and increased its vote from 19,296 to 19,298.

Argentina: A new national trade union center with a membership to start with of 8,000 was organized at a recent conference here. It voted to join the International Federation of Trade Unions, the Socialist trade unions with headquarters in Amsterdam, Holland. This affiliation was opposed by anarchists, communists and syndicalists, who were voted down.

Brazil: Fascism received a hot reception here. When Sig. Marinotti attempted to expand his theories at the Casino Theater he was silenced by a storm of yells, accompanied by the throwing of cabbages, carrots, potatoes, bananas and odoriferous bombs.

France: The strength of the extreme left in the French parliament as opposed to the left center, the middle and the right, was demonstrated this week by a vote of confidence awarded the Briand government. The vote for Briand was cast by the middle and right elements. It was 320.

Receipts: \$200.00, \$200.00, \$200.00. Expenses: \$100.00, \$100.00, \$100.00. Membership Increase: \$50.00, \$50.00, \$50.00.

Montana, Utah, Idaho: The National Office is making plans through the offices of State Secretary Graham of Montana, and Rocky Mountain District Secretary Kennedy, to place Comrade Doris Morris in the field to propagate and organize Socialists in localities with the end in view of placing state tickets in all the North-west states.

Kansas: W. L. Baldwin of Arkansas City, writes for information that he may get into the Party work. He was asked to get in touch with the State Secretary of Kansas, Comrade Arthur Bridwell, Route 3, Baldwin City, to the end that a Socialist local may be organized in his city.

Ohio: State Secretary Willett, of Ohio, is gradually putting the movement in that state in much better shape than it has been for some time. His last monthly report for Ohio shows a big improvement. All the American Appeal readers in this State who are not members of the Party should get in touch with him at once and become active.

Missouri: Comrade Lincoln Phifer has been appointed to represent the Socialist Party at the Mid-West Students' Conference, to be held in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 13-14-15. This appointment of Comrade Phifer was in compliance with the wishes of officers of this Conference.

Wyoming: Comrade Roy Nicodemus, one of the real live Socialists of that State, insists that he is going to have an active Socialist local in Cheyenne. He also informs us that Mr. James Morgan, Secretary-Treasurer, District No. 22, I. M. W. A., has very generously donated the use of his hall, lights, etc., for a big meeting to be addressed by Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis on her way back to the coast.

Indiana: On page 1 of this issue, you will find a complete report of the best and biggest Socialist State Convention held in Indiana for the last four years. Mrs. Henry, State Secretary, resigned and in her place is Mrs. Emie Mueller, 205 Holiday Building, Indianapolis. American Appeal readers will please take notice and assist the new State official.

Los Angeles: The Socialists of Los Angeles will hold a banquet at Tait's Coffee Shop, 215 South Broadway, Saturday, June 5, at 7 p. m. Mr. Andras Nordskog will tell how the people are gouged by the telephone octopus. Tickets will be 75 cents.

New England District: All arrangements have been made for the State Convention of Massachusetts, to be held July 15 at Party Headquarters, 21 Essex St., Boston, Mass. The State official expects a large attendance, not only of elected delegates, but fraternal delegates and visitors. A complete State ticket will be nominated. The office is busy making arrangements for open air meetings.

New Jersey State Convention: The New Jersey State Convention will be held at State Headquarters, 256 Central Avenue, Jersey City, Sunday, August 5th, beginning at 10 a. m. Each Branch of the Party shall elect one delegate for every 5 members or major fraction thereof.

Socialist Party Activities Reviving Throughout Nation

The increase in party activity is shown throughout the country. New organizations are being formed, State Conventions being held and literature sales increasing.

Emil Herman on the Job: Comrade Emil Herman, one of the best Party Organizers that ever went into the field, makes a report of his work in Upper New York State, giving receipts and expenses for a two-day trip.

Receipts: American Appeal subs sold, \$250.00; Swiss Liberty Bonds, cash, \$175.00; Swiss Liberty Bonds pledged, \$90.00.

Expenses: Wages, \$120.84; Transportation, \$12.06; Postage, \$1.00; Telephone, \$1.65.

Membership Increase: Polish Branch, Buffalo, 6; New Local, Niagara Falls, re-organized, 14; New members added to local Buffalo, 18.

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Kentucky: Comrade T. L. Wrather, of Mayfield, Ky., informs us that he has been sending subscription blanks for the American Appeal into the various sections of his end of the state in order to increase the subscription list of the paper.

Illinois: Comrade W. R. Snow, State Secretary, informs National Headquarters that he is beginning greater activity down state, planning to make the State campaign a big success.

Slashed Prices on Books: The National Office has slashed prices on its big assortment of books, Locals and Individuals, State and District Secretaries should write and ask for price lists.

any book on Socialism and kindred subjects called for. Let us serve you. Let us reduce the big stock on hand and put them to work.

Boost the American Appeal—It Will Help the Party: State and District Secretaries should urge greater activity all along the line for the American Appeal.

Member at Large? If there isn't a Socialist Local in your town or community, then why don't you get the Socialists together and organize one?

Why Don't You Organize a Local or Become a Member at Large? You will agree with me that you should have a local in your town.

The local, when organized, shall set a time for regular meetings so the members will know when and where to meet.

Each Branch Secretary should list automobile owners in each Branch in the State and ask them to bring as many comrades as possible to the State meet.

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WRITE TODAY. If you are with us, write us today for an application for Charter and get the local started. A single Socialist can be a member-at-large by sending his name and address, with the 50¢ month's dues, to the National Office.

A Home for Our Children

Beautiful symbolic poem... the tearing down of the House... the building of the House...

Young People's Department

National Office... YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEAGUE... 25 Townsend St., Phoburg, Mass...

With the Circles

New York City.—The Victims of New York have suddenly stepped into prominence in the civic activities of the metropolis...

Warren, Ohio.—The newly organized circle of Warren entertained a large audience of young and old...

Worcester, Mass.—Members of the Worcester Circle visited the Fitchburg comrades the other Sunday...

International.—On the 6th of May the office of the International of Socialist Youth sent the following telegram...

Mothers Not Trustworthy

Young man, could your Mother be depended upon to send you into a machine-gun fire?

Baltic Meeting of Socialist Students

During the past winter the socialist student organizations of Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia and Poland met at Riga in convention...

While this is the first conference of the Baltic young groups, great headway was made toward a permanent organization...

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Reforestation Urged in Bill by Rep. Berger

Washington.—Establishment of a national forest reserve in each state, and a policy of reforestation by the timber resources of the United States may be replenished...

My bill proposes, first, to call a halt to this policy of destruction, and to begin an elaborate program of reforestation...

Coal Strike Hits Great Britain Hard

London, May 28.—Yesterday the government ordered strict reduction of coal consumption. Householders are allowed fifty-six pounds a week...

N. Y. Education Board Bans Free Speech Meeting

The Board of Education of New York City voted unanimously on May 21 to deny the application of the American Civil Liberties Union...

Its action, the Board said, was based upon the purposes of the Union as set forth before the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization...

The application for the meeting was made after Eugene C. Gibney, director of Extension Activities for the Board of Education, had refused to permit Arthur Garfield Hays and James Weldon Johnson to speak...

The Filling Station LINCOLN PHIFER

"Happily there can't be a general strike in America," commented the Man from Idaho, apropos of nothing...

"I don't understand," was the reply. "Well, I can't understand how the workers of those countries are not free when they can strike..."

Joists and Jabs No mighty movement but that grew in it takes a time to take the world along...

Survivals The monsters that once paced over the land and deep Now in the rocks are caged...

Efficiency—A Fable At one time the mosquito was a very efficient worker and possessed much of worth...

Unemployment Insurance Capitalism has not solved the question of unemployment. In fact, the problem of unemployment probably cannot be completely solved...

Letters to Judd ing the mass of the people with him, and pushed the slave power against the wall, until presently it revolted...

Two Books That You Want at a Bargain Price THE AMERICAN EMPLOYER... THE WORKERS IN AMERICAN HISTORY...

Letters to Judd

By Upton Sinclair Letter XIX My dear Judd: We have come to the end of our task. I have tried to show you what is going on in our country...

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