

500,000 Workers Witness Funeral of Meyer London

50,000 Participate in Services of Beloved Socialist Leader—Hillquit Deposits Wreath in Name of Party

The following account of the funeral of Meyer London, great and beloved Socialist leader, was received by William H. Henry, National Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party, from Morris Hillquit of the National Executive Committee, who officiated at the funeral.

Hillquit Tribute to Meyer London

When the ill-fated car struck the frail body of Meyer London it cut a deep gash in the hearts of thousands of men and women all over the country who loved him and who grieve over his tragic and untimely death.

Will Issue Independence Special

The Appeal has collected data for A SPECIAL INDEPENDENCE EDITION, which will appear the day before American Independence Day, or on Saturday, July 3.

Sinclair Flays Whitlock for Slandering Socialists

Challenges False Statement in Book by Former Ohio Reformer—Is Still Unanswered

They Will Starve Unless You Help

Four million men, women and children in the coalfields of Great Britain will suffer starvation unless you help them now. They are organized coal miners and their families who are waging a courageous fight against a wage cut.

Berger Wants Revision of Constitution

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Fur Workers' Union Gains Big Victory

Brings 40-Hour Week to U.S.—Other Unions to Make Same Fight

New York (F.P.)—The 12,000 fur workers of New York are breathing more freely. Their four months' strike is over and they consider that they have come out the victors.

The Broadcaster

If it were not for exploiters the world would be civilized even now. The workers make money and put it into the pockets of the idlers.

Socialists Make Gains in Esthonia

Socialist Labor Party Now Is Largest Political Party in That Country

In Esthonia, a little country on the Baltic carved out of Russia by the Allies after the war, the Socialists came through the national election, May 15, 16 and 17, with splendid gains which makes the Socialist Labor Party the largest party in Esthonia.

And They Say It Can't Be Done

(The following facts are a remarkable record of the success of public ownership in Russia. They are much more than a mere list of facts that they are the result of a Socialist program in America—Edwin J. Redkey.)

Socialists of Milwaukee Halt \$500,000 Grab

A carefully planned grab of Milwaukee city property, which, if carried through, would virtually amount to turning a half million dollars profit to the coffers of private real estate operators, was started by the so-called "non-partisan" or anti-Socialist group of the Milwaukee common council this week and stopped by the Socialists.

Socialist Wedge Threatens to Split German Capitalism

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Socialist Position Supreme

Only the Socialists and communists favor the straight proposal of socialization which 12,500,000 citizens have already pledged themselves to support.

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Capitalistic Organization in Old Russia

Capitalistic organization in old Russia was admittedly backward and inefficient and not so difficult to improve upon as would be the industrial results of more highly developed countries.

Industrial production in the Soviet Union

Industrial production in the Soviet Union in April broke all monthly records since the revolution, according to statistics of the supreme economic council.

April production was 3.26 per cent greater than that of April, 1925.

This is the first time in four years that the April output exceeded that of March. The increased output was accomplished despite a decrease in the workers employed by 13 per cent as compared with March.

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After signing petitions containing 12,500,000 names of legal voters

making a referendum on the socialization of these properties mandatory, the German people find themselves facing capitalist leaders and capitalist political parties so utterly fearful of the consequences of such a referendum on future developments in Germany and so bitterly opposed to it, that they are ready to violate the constitution in any manner possible to avoid this test.

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These socialized properties would represent a powerful Socialist wedge

driven right through German capitalism, and a socialization precedent would have been established for continuing this process until Socialism in its fullness was established.

The capitalist parties have already placed themselves in a position of unprecedented weakness by their attempts to dodge the law and the plain mandates of the German constitution.

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"Even then, it was considered by many as nothing more than a miserable piece of patchwork, which had to be amended ten times before the colonies would agree to ratify it."

For many years, under the constitution as originally adopted, "only those who had wealth could vote. Only one-sixth of the people had the franchise at the time the constitution was ratified and most of them did not vote."

The worst features of a monarchy were included in the office of the president, who has more power than two-thirds of both houses of congress. Everything was done to make it easy to defeat the people's will.

"What changes would we propose if a rewriting of the constitution was authorized?"

"We would put teeth into some of the constitutional guarantees which are now dead letters. We would put teeth into the first amendment, so that the right of free speech, free press, and free assembly may have more than a paper existence to which our officials very often render only lip service. Just now these rights are violated whenever and wherever it suits the convenience of the plutocrats, as has been the case in Passaic, and a dozen other industrial centers where workers were striving to obtain decent living conditions."

"We would also put teeth into the 14th and 15th amendments, so that

One upon a time you wrote a great American novel, "The Turn of the Balance." At that time you showed both social sympathy and social intelligence. So far as I can recollect the sentence I have here quoted is the only sentence in "Up-rod" in which you show yourself aware of the fact that wealth which is being consumed by parasites has previously had to be produced by labor. I submit that this sentence gives indication that you yourself are among the "Up-rod."

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