

"WE are going to climb the slow road until it reaches some upland where the air is fresher, where the whole talk of politicians is stilled, where men can look in each other's faces and see that there is nothing to conceal, that all they have to talk about, they are willing to talk about in the open and talk about with each other; and whence looking back over the road, we shall see at last that we have fulfilled our promise to mankind." --President Wilson

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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Why Roosevelt opposes the President

Socialist Candidate for Governor



L. P. BEROT

"Political Democracy without industrial democracy makes of capitalism a hideous farce full of screaming contradictions". — E. V. Debs.

Berot is the only candidate who stands for a genuine industrial democracy.

REMEMBER

THIS ON NOVEMBER 5

Wreckage of German Imperialist Plans is Likely to Affect Allied Policy of Action in East, is Forecast.

Washington.—There is a growing belief at Washington that all American troops may be withdrawn from Russia in the near future. In the event of their not being completely withdrawn, owing to the quick descent of the Russian winter, they are likely to be concentrated at the White Sea and Pacific ports, where their presence would serve least to impair Russia's right of self-determination.

In answer to your correspondent's query: "Has there been any change in the Russian policy of America and the entente?" a person well qualified to judge, replied:

"There is no Russian policy. Certain tentative measures have been adopted from time to time, but the big determining factors have changed so rapidly that diplomats are completely at a loss to say what will be or should be the next step."

The wild proposition to reconstitute the eastern front against Germany by a large scale invasion from Siberia (a plan which President Wilson never indorsed) seems to be entirely wrecked. Japan would have to shoulder almost the entire physical responsibility for such an undertaking, and the Japanese commander in Siberia, General Otari, is quoted, under date of October 20, as saying:

"I cannot say whether it would be a good or a bad move to advance farther west from Vladivostok. It would be at least difficult with the winter approaching and the Trans-Siberian railroad in such bad condition."

Armed Opposition.

In addition to deep snows and a wrecked railroad to hamper progress westward through Siberia, every day

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TRADE RIVALRY AND FEAR OF A REAL DEMOCRACY THE REAL REASON OF ROOSEVELT'S ATTACK

Washington.—The war has come to America. The armed forces in Europe make ready to lay down their arms. The jackals of economic rivalry are girding themselves for a diplomatic war which shall shoulder democracy into the sea.

America will be the main battleground. Excepting Russia, America has given voice to the clearest demand for a peace which shall exclude no race or region from its equal benefits. It is here the fight must be waged to determine whether even a semblance of justice, mercy and democracy shall prevail at the peace council.

Commercial imperialism has issued its challenge: "The 14 points of peace must be repudiated. The victor must have his spoils. Capital must be reimbursed for its sacrifice. Humanity must be carved into spheres of exploitation and divided among the masters of international finance."

Two-thirds of the United States Senate are required to ratify a treaty of peace. The imperialists believe they can always control enough votes to hold up a peace of the peoples. At the November elections they will strive to increase the number of men in that body who will obey their command.

To obtain this result, they will operate through both of the old parties. A Reed will do as well as a Penrose, a Thomas as well as a Lodge. Any bishop of the holy trinity—rent, interest and profit—they call fit to sit in the House of Lords.

Already the economic junkers have shown their hands, but slightly disguised, in the Republican congressional committee, which calls our attention to the third of the 14 peace terms, which reads:

"The removal, as far as possible, of all economic barriers and the establishment of an equality of trade conditions among all nations associating themselves for its maintenance," and the committee adds: "A Republican Senate would never agree to a treaty of peace giving free trade privileges to Germany."

A Republican Senate never has agreed to give free trade privileges to any country on earth, so the reference to Germany means nothing but the usual confusion of patriotism with business for private profit.

Six months ago The New York Call described the third of the 14 peace aims as a formula which would destroy the foundations of modern nationalism, if it should be applied as drawn to the members of a league of nations.

It was recalled that the 13 colonies surrendered their real sovereignty and clung only to its shadow when they abolished the economic barriers separating them and preserved only their so-called political independence.

It was surmised that President Wilson was bent upon applying the same painless antidote on a worldwide scale as a condition within his league of nations and

an essential to its success in putting an end to international warfare.

This diagnosis of the president's purpose is accepted by those leaders of the desperate movement under way, both in America and Europe, to preserve the shaken system of nationalism from the several fates which threaten it.

Nationalism stands today between a Wilsonian league of nations and the deep sea of complete proletarian rule. No less a personage than Viscount Milner, minister of war for Great Britain, rebukes his countrymen for "hurriedly denouncing as a sham the transformation of the German government now in progress," because, he warns them:

"It is in the interest of the entente allies to see a stable government maintained in Germany, since if that country should be 'bolshhevikified' it would be difficult of impossible to obtain reparation."

The time has come to ask, What is a stable government? The most conservative prophets are now predicting the rise all over Europe of government which will, at the very least, approve of a league of nations and the removal of economic barriers.

To the nationalism which is today striving to save itself this would mean "anarchy and ruin." It would unite Great Britain and Germany as effectually as New York and North Carolina were united by the constitution of 1789.

A mild enough reform in the minds of the class-conscious proletariat, but a revolutionary terror to those who think only in terms of labor exploitation, tariff advantages and foreign markets monopolized by themselves.

So the immediate junker objectives at present are to muzzle the liberal voice of America and to isolate the European masses who have responded to it and who may go much farther on the road to freedom unless the situation is handled with great delicacy and good fortune.

CANDIDATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE FOR 59th DISTRICT



JOHN ESSEN.

I HAVE NOT BEEN INDORSED BY THE SQUARE DEAL COMMITTEE

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VOTE FOR
John Essen
NOVEMBER 5th

Socialist Voters ATTENTION!

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A. L. SUGARMAN

U. S. Senator

J. F. EMME

Lieut. Governor

DEFECTIVE PAGE

PATRIOTISM

By SCOTT NEARING.

Patriotism—the love of one's country—is found everywhere. The English love England; the French love France; the Italians love Italy; the Germans love Germany, and the Japanese love Japan. Even the peoples like the Irish, the Polish and the Hindus, who have no independent country, are as patriotic as the best of us.

Sometimes patriotism means one thing, some times another. Two years ago, in Russia, patriotism meant loyalty to the czar and his government. Any one who was not loyal to Nicholas Romanoff was a traitor. Today patriotism in Russia means loyalty to the Russian workers, and to the government that they have set up. At the present moment, patriotism in Germany means loyalty to the Hohenzollerns. Soon, very soon, we hope, it will mean loyalty to the workingclass government that will drive German autocracy from power.

The meaning of patriotism changes with the changing of society. It grows as society grows.

The United States is a country with great traditions. It is a country in which patriotism must have a great meaning to those who understand American history, and who know the spirit of American life.

The men who founded America fled from kings, emperors and landlords—from masters and oppressors of every kind. They sought, in America, to establish a free country. Since that time, tens of millions of eager men and women have left the old world and journeyed to the new, in search of that freedom.

When Capt. John Smith said "He that will not work, neither shall he eat," and when Abraham Lincoln added to that no man had a right to say to another, "You work and toil and earn bread, and I'll eat it," they breathed the spirit of economic freedom, the foundation of all liberty.

When Thomas Jefferson wrote, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," he voiced America's aspirations for equal opportunity—the goal of democracy.

John Adams explained, "Sink or swim, live or die, survive or perish, I am for the Declaration (of Independence)." Give me liberty or give me death," cried Patrick Henry. These two men spoke the language of civil liberty, without which the freest people must sooner or later taste the bitterness of slavery.

The United States was founded as a nation of freemen. It was established to guarantee economic freedom, equal opportunity and civil liberty. Some of the greatest Americans gave their lives to the accomplishment of that task. To every true American devotion to liberty, justice and equal opportunity is the heart and soul of patriotism. By the test the patriot, is known in the United States.

The true American is not loyal to a king; he is not loyal to a ruling class he is not loyal to an institution. He is loyal to liberty, justice and the common rights of mankind. For this cause he will sacrifice his fortune, his life, his honor—all that he holds dear and sacred. Our loyalty in America is a loyalty to all that is grandest and best in American traditions and in American life. We have been a free people; we glory in that fact, and we propose to preserve our liberties and to continue free to the end of the chapter. Better no America than an America in chains. We have taken our stand before the world; we have

pledged our faith to mankind; we will not rest in bondage to any man or to any set of men. We will be free! "No man is good enough to rule another man without that man's consent;" this is a government of the people, by the people and for the people—nothing less is worthy of the great name we bear.

We Americans are patriots. We love our country—love it too well to see it in bondage. We desire to see her stand, free and noble—freest and noblest among the nations of the earth.

The past 20 years have witnessed an effort on the part of big business to capture America and hold our country for its very own. Big business has adopted the flag. Big business has shouted its patriotism from the house tops. This is the same big business that has plundered, robbed and exploited the American people; the same big business that has corrupted legislatures and bribed judges; the same big business that has debauched, disgraced and betrayed America for its private gain. This same big business now appears as the patron saint of American liberties, and, as if to add impudence to its effrontery, it has set itself up as the judge of patriotism and patriots among the American people.

I have studied the economic history of the United States. I know the history of the Standard Oil company, the Pennsylvania railroad, the Southern Pacific, the new York Central, the sugar trust, the hard coal trust, the steel trust, the tobacco trust, the paper trust, the Drexels, the Wideners, the Rockefellers, the Carnegies and the Morgans. These organizations and these men are capable of making money in heaps. But neither they nor their officials nor their employees are competent to pass judgment on the patriotism of any person or any organization in these United States. Their past is too dark. Their record is too well known. Only the man who is without sin among them may cast the first stone.

The plutocratic patriots, who spell the word p-a-y-triot, have called the Socialist party and its candidates disloyal, unpatriotic, un-American. Let us see.

We Socialists believe that America should belong to the American people—not to the plutocratic trusts and corporations.

Is that disloyal?

We believe that every man who works should have the full product of his labor.

Is that unpatriotic?

We believe that the rights of free speech, free press and free assembly should be guaranteed and preserved at all times.

Is that un-American?

We Socialists are opposed to capitalism, profiteering, exploitation and imperialism. In that stand we have the support of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Franklin, Paine, Lincoln and the best-known among America's great men.

We demand that the voice of the people be heard in all matters of public concern. They are the final authority. The greatest good for the greatest number—the workers—is our watchword. In that position we have the support of Jefferson, Paine, Franklin, Webster, Lincoln and thousands of others among America's greatest sons.

We want America free, just and true. Can our opponents say as much?

The capitalists—and their mouthpieces. By them we are denounced, slandered and persecuted. Stop and think for a moment. If you were denounced by the Standard Oil company or the House of Morgan, would you consider yourself disgraced or

complimented? If you are one of the plutocrats, you would be disgraced, but if you are speaking for the American people, you should be glad when you are numbered among the enemies of the master class.

Big business hates Socialism. The trusts hate Socialism. Wall street hates Socialism. When Socialism triumphs—as triumph it must—big business, the trusts and Wall street—will become common property, to be owned and operated by the many for their benefit and advantage. Of course, they hate us; of course, they attack us; of course, they fear us, and they have good reason to fear.

That is why they call us unpatriotic and un-American. They do not want the workers to listen to our message or to read our words of hope and inspiration. They want to keep the workers in ignorance, because in that way they can keep them poor. We want the workers to think. It is truth that shall make them free.

Listen, read, study, ponder on these things. Wall street calls us traitors. We call you Americans.

If you are with Wall street, vote the Republican-Democratic ticket on election day. If you are an American, vote as Jefferson and Lincoln would have voted—for liberty, justice and the rights of the people—vote the Socialist ticket.

WRECKAGE OF GERMAN IMPERIALIST PLANS IS TO AFFECT ALLIED POLICY IN EAST.

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brings stories of armed opposition imposed by large bodies of Russians. Full reports on the nature of this opposition are made to President Wilson, whose principal representative on the spot, General Graves, tells the newspaper men:

"Remember, we will not fight the Russians. We are here to help the suffering population, and are only against those who would help Germany organize further hostilities against the allies."

American troops already have had fights with Russians in Siberia but General Graves' words are taken to mean that his orders are to test the sentiments of the natives and not to undertake any large scale military measures that are clearly opposed by a majority of the population.

It is taken for granted that thousands of Siberians are in need of shoes and clothing brought by the American force but their acceptance of these necessities will not be interpreted as a popular endorsement of military intervention in their country.

President Wilson knows that only one-third of the American colonists could be called active participants in our Revolution yet he does not question its validity on that account. Thousands of Washington's followers fell away from the fighting forces during the terrible winter of 1777, but it is not the spirit shown by those who fought on when the majority was in despair which constitutes the glory of that war.

With all of Germany's imperialistic projects shattered by events of the past two months, there is not any serious pretense made that Russia is a "German colony," which must be recovered by the intervention of allied armies. The Brest treaty has been repeatedly repudiated by the Soviet government, and is now implicitly abandoned by the Berlin imperialists as a part of their efforts to qualify for admission to a democratic peace conference.

The state department is informed that in every district evacuated by German troops the Slav populace makes haste either to declare its complete independence or its renewed allegiance to Russia. Appeals have been made direct to Washington by junkers in the occupied provinces asking America to "protect" them from the violently anti-German masses who will come into power as soon as the Kaiser's legions are withdrawn.

Professor Masaryk is reported to have discontinued all propaganda in favor of his Czech-Slovak forces being used as a vanguard for the recreation of an eastern battle front against the central empires. His only anxiety at present is to insure the peaceful return of the Czech-Slovaks to a Bohemia whose freedom is expected to materialize at an early date through the internal collapse of Austria-Hungary.

The 20th Century Declaration of Independence

by EUGENE V. DEBS.

"To free the workers of the world from the curse of wage-slavery and its countless brood of festering evils, to organize society upon a basis of co-operation industry in which all shall be workers, owning in common the machinery of production and producing wealth for their own enjoyment, is the prime object of the International Socialist Movement.

To organize the workers into a working class political party through which to secure control of the powers of government, the law-making and law-enforcing machinery of the nation, to put into effect the above declared object is the mission of the Socialist Party.

A more righteous cause never inspired men to action in this world. To secure control of government, the Socialist Party appeals to the working class and the ballot. Though standing for a complete revolution in the ownership and management of industry, its program is one of perfect peace.

There has been a great industrial change in the last century. New conditions have arisen, and these demand a new system. Machines are now used instead of hand tools; great mills have taken the places of small shops, and armies of workers, co-operatively employed, are required to operate them.

These machines and mills are at present the private property of a few capitalists and are operated purely for their profit.

All the wealth the armies of workers produce above a bare living is taken from them by the capitalists, the owners of the mills and machines, who are also their industrial masters. These owners and masters can close their mills and exclude the workers from them at will. The workers are wholly dependent upon them and at their mercy.

In modern society the capitalist, the owner of the machine, the tool of production, without which the worker cannot work, and therefore cannot live, has the power of life and death over his workingmen, their wives and children.

It is essentially a barbarous and demoralizing system in all its effect. The capitalist is calloused and debased, while the worker is enslaved and brutalized.

A few capitalists are gorged and bloated to the bursting point. Their features are distorted and discolored by their vulgar excesses. Their better nature is besotted and conscience has been suffocated.

A mass of workers are poverty-stricken. A mass of children are born to degeneracy, food for filth and misery, crime and death. These hideous extremes, these social horrors, are the products of

American reactionaries are so quick to make political capital among misinformed people out of any liberal policy adopted by the administration that no official announcement respecting the American forces in Russia can be looked for until after the coming congressional elections. November 15 is the approximate date given by persons who anticipate what

diplomats call a new orientation with regard to Russia. Meanwhile the Petrograd correspondent of the London Times is not the only one who believes the Soviet government is stronger today than at any time in its career. Similar information has reached the state department at Washington from other sources.

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the decomposing, vermin-infested capitalist system; and upon this system the Socialist party, in the name of the working class, its most cruelly outraged victims, has declared war to the death.

When it is understood that the Socialist party is the party of the working class, its mission, in the presence of existing conditions, seems so evident that it almost suggests itself.

What workingman, unless his brain has been extinguished in wageslavery, can fail to understand that the Socialist party is his other capitalist parties, because it is the only party that stands for party as against the Republican party, the Democratic party, and all his class, the only party whose mission it is to organize his class for the overthrow of wage slavery and the emancipation of the workers from capitalist tyranny and misrule.

O, workers of America, use your brains in your own interests instead of being satisfied with deforming your bodies to enrich your masters!

You were born to noble manhood, not to serve as beasts of burden. Be men enough to think for yourselves, and if you do, the mission of the Socialist party will appeal to your intelligence and claim your allegiance and support.

To conquer capitalism, to abolish slavery, to put an end to poverty, to overcome injustice, to be free men, to have the right to work, to secure what your labor produces, to see your wives and children glad in the joys of home and health, peace and plenty, you have but to do one thing, and that is expressed in one word: UNITE.

You are a vast majority of the earth, and ought to rule it.

You are lacking in intelligence only, and this you have the means and opportunity to cultivate.

The mission of the Socialist party is to free your minds from prejudice, cultivate your intelligence, develop your brains, that you may become the slaveless masters of the earth.

When you succeed to power, all humanity will be free and civilized, and the exercise of power to silence the discontent of slaves will be no longer necessary.

To organize the working class into a political party to battle for and achieve their own emancipation is the mission of the Socialist party, and every worker in the land should hail with joy its glorious advent and join with all his heart the swelling chorus of Socialist party Standard bearers:

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—KARL LIEBKNECHT, Speaking in Berlin.

AN APPEAL TO THE WORKERS OF DULUTH

Soon the world will take a rest and this war will then be over. The tremendous forces that have been at play have been compelled to call a halt. Germany finding herself faced with a revolution of her people and preferring a compromised peace to a rebellious working class, deems it advisable that the war should stop. Now that peace is on its way, it will cause no harm if we examine the position that we find ourselves in today.

The war has been fought and for a few months longer will still continue to be fought. The question therefore comes to our mind, what are we doing on this side of the Atlantic towards ridding the world of all wars. You cannot abolish war by merely making speeches, neither can you prevent it by singing patriotic songs. War is the sole product of a system, wherein men are used to create profits, instead of men living together for the sake of making life worth while. If the wealth that the German people created by their labors had been used by the self-same people who had created it, there would have been no war. The war, we are told, was brought about because Germany desired a place in the sun. The real truth is that Germany found herself with her warehouses, docks, railroad sidings, etc., stocked full of goods. The German people could not buy these goods, because they did not receive sufficient for the work they performed. So other people would have to buy them, this means other people of other countries. Now exactly the same position applies to ALL countries. They find that they have a surplus stock of goods, and they find that the people can only buy as much of the goods as their wages will permit. So other markets must be found. The American capitalists were on the job first and they obtained the necessary foreign markets and consequently the Germans were left out in the cold, as it were. Germany could not destroy the wealth she possessed, something had to be done, and so WAR was declared. Germany must get those markets and the United States declared that Germany could not have them, that if in the run of business Germany had been beaten in the race, Germany must stand the consequences. But you know that merchants do not let their goods rot, markets must be found and any and every means must be adopted to get those markets. If Germany could conquer the world, then the markets were theirs. This is one aspect of the war.

Another aspect and one that has been given prominence by the Duluth Herald, is that Germany feared the discontent of her own people. The French ambassador wired to the French Premier on July 24th, 1914, that war would be declared if only to keep down the Social-Democrats. This is not a news item, it appeared in the official despatches of the French Government and can be found in the government books issued by the Allied countries at the beginning of the war in Europe. The Kaiser, who after all is only the spokesman of the ruling class in Germany, has always fought the Social-Democrats. Because he knew that if these men were to ever gain power, his rule was over.

What is the spirit of discontent that the Kaiser was so afraid of?

The spirit of discontent is a human feeling. It is not the creation of the Socialist agitators, it is a feeling that is as old as man himself. When Columbus was in Genoa he was discontented. He had reason to believe that the world was bigger than the people of his time would have him to believe. So accordingly he set out and one bright night he was walking the deck of his little craft and he saw in the distance the firebrand of an Indian. The firebrand was a sign that new lands had been discovered and that was the sign that gave Columbus new faith to keep on sailing, even though his crew were beginning to revolt. There lay America—with its enormous streams, its wild primeval forests, its endless green plains. Columbus had obtained the fulfillment of the desires that had been aroused in his breast by the spirit of discontent. If Columbus had only been content to accept the word of other men and had cooled down his feverish spirit of discontent, who knows what would have been the result? Discontent gave Columbus the satisfaction of knowing that he had achieved something that still stands to his eternal credit.

James Watts used to sit and watch the steam kettle. He had grown tired of the old ways and also the present methods of doing things. As he watched the steam coming out of the kettle, he became discontented and he began to puzzle his brain. "Why should we waste this steam?" he asked one day. So Watts sat and studied and as a result we had the invention of the steam engine. Today the world knows how much progress was made by Watts. The world could never repay Watts for the invention that so revolutionized society and all of its established customs and ideas. It was the discontent of Watts that gave us the steam engine.

In 1774, many Americans became discontented and as a result the famous charter of the Declaration of American Independence was issued. It was the spirit of discontent of these men that founded this Republic. If they had been content to stay under the rule of the British Government, there would have been no United States.

We could go on reciting the many advances made in the world, because of the spirit of discontent. The spirit of discontent manifests itself in a thousand ways and no power on earth can prevent that spirit expressing itself. The German people are becoming discontented

and when that spirit of discontent manifests itself and expresses itself in a revolt of the German people, then the junkers of Germany, with the Kaiser at their head, will receive their quietus.

The Socialist Party of Duluth expresses the discontent of the people of Duluth, who are aware of the causes that make them discontented. They are aware of these, because they have taken the time to understand the why and wherefore of the social injustices that take place around us. We want to recall a few things to your memory, and then to explain the cause of them arising.

PROSTITUTION.

You have seen the many girls who are arrested day after day for selling their bodies. You have witnessed the depravity that has existed and for that matter still exists in Duluth and Superior. Have you ever gazed at the faces of these women who inhabit the red-light districts and asked yourselves why these women prefer such a life? Has it ever occurred to you, that if there is one life that is hell on earth, it is the prostitutes' life? Picture if you can the position of such a woman! See her one night discontented and along comes the procurer and satisfies, temporarily, her desires! Picture the awful condition of that girl's mind when she awakens to the horror of it all! But, alas, we live in a world of business and it is too late. The system has got her, like a hawk gets a sparrow. Make no mistake—once a girl goes "wrong" there is no return. On and on she must go until the end brings her a merciful release. Poverty, the curse of humanity, has forced her there. We believe it is poverty, because we believe that girls would rather be honorable wives, than the sport of men. Go to your department stores and ask them what wages they pay. Sit down and make out the budget of a girl who only receives five to ten dollars per week. Try if you can and figure out what life means to girls on five per cent. You will be astonished and shocked and wonder how girls really live. You will see how easy it is for the procurer to get ALL the girls he wants. You cannot satisfy the longings for fine clothes, gained at the movies, and the desire for a nice hot dinner, by simply quoting Bible texts. You will have to do something more practical. You will have to deal with bedrock facts in a practical manner. You will have to pay girls a decent wage and there is where you will come up against it. You can criticize the ladies and gentlemen of our land, and you can discuss their divorces, but do not touch their profits. Profit is the only word they know of. It is ever in their dreams and when they want to write the name of this Republic, they write it so: United States. Naught but their profits matter, it is their be-all and end-all of their life. Just think this over and we will give you our solution to the problem later on.

SPANISH INFLUENZA.

At the present time, the disease known as Spanish Influenza is claiming its hundreds and thousands of its victims. It is one of the greatest menaces to our existence. Now why is it that we have this disease in our midst? Has it been sent from the sky? Has some Pro-German sent it? Or is it the result of our own neglect? The first two questions can be dismissed as having no clue whatsoever to the cause of the plague. The last question contains within it the reasons for the existence of the plague. It is due to our own neglect that we have the plague here. Every person who has died has died because of our lack of care, in studying the things that affect our everyday life. Spanish Influenza finds its breeding place in our slums, where the fresh air never goes. It also finds itself in the bodies of the people, who are not receiving proper nourishment, etc. The slums and the poor food that we eat are the best agents for promoting this dread disease. So long as we have slums, so long will we always live in fear of this disease.

WHY NOT ABOLISH THE SLUMS?

The reason for the existence of slums and unfit human habitations is due to the fact that we allow men and women to make fortunes out of slum property. If it was not for the fact that men can make money out of slums, slums would not exist. Once you make it unprofitable for men to own slums, then you make it impossible to own slums. For it stands to sense that when a man is no longer able to make a profit out of the rotten dwelling-places he owns, he will either give them up or destroy them. But how are we going to make the owning of slums unprofitable? Just keep on thinking and when you read further down you can understand more about what we are driving at.

CHILD LABOR.

According to the reports of the U. S. Department of Labor there are more children being employed today than there ever were. There is a profound reason for the employing of children and one that has its effect upon the men and women, who are the persons responsible for bringing these children in the world. The reason for child labor is due to the fact THAT IT IS CHEAPER THAN ADULT LABOR. Three children will do as much work as a man and for less wages, hence the reason for child labor. No employer employs children because he is the possessor of a philanthropic disposition. He employs the cheapest kind of labor, because the

smaller the wages he pays, the higher his profits. And remember this, men do not go into business for the good of their health. Child labor is one of the greatest curses that was ever afflicted upon mankind. Your prisons, asylums, workhouses contain the human wrecks that were reared in the factories that contain the child slaves of today. At a time when children should be given good education. When their lives need to be guarded more than ever, we force them into the factories, cotton mills, etc., in order that they might create more profit for those "who neither toil nor spin."

Child labor is not a thing detached from the system, it is not an isolated evil—a thing that can be dealt with separately—but is a part and parcel of the whole dead weight of social inequality or whatever name you may choose to call it, that is weighing humanity down.

Ernest Crosby, a famous American poet, summed up the evil of child labor and the rest of the social evils in his wonderful poem. Writing of the "captains of industry" he made them say:

"So we draw up the armies of trade,
And invade,
With the children, in front to fall first, as is meet—
Children of mill and of sweat-shop and mine.
And behind them the women stand,
Jaded and wan, in line;
Then comes the hosts of the diggers and builders,
Artisans, craftsmen and all.

It is fine.

It is grand.

We are safer in the rear with the loot in our hands."

How are we going to prevent all this? It is quite an easy matter to paint the sordid picture of life! But how are we going to alter these things?

That is the question!

How are we going to alter these things?

Let us get back to the war. Then we will sum up and you can choose for yourselves, which way you are going to vote. The Socialist does not come before you and ask you to just put your trust in him. We leave that to the politicians of the other crowds. Our method is to let you know what we are opposed to, how we can remedy things, then you yourself can decide what to do. We will not ask you to vote for us, just because our candidate is a good man. We want you to work and vote for the principles he stands for. That is the difference between the Socialist Party and all other political parties. Others stand for the good man idea, we stand for good principles.

In wars today the thing that counts is victory. One army faces the other. Each army stands prepared to win for the principles or cause they represent. In the struggles of today millions of men are employed. The thing is to win and to preserve victory. Human life, as in industry, counts for very little. The Kaiser and the rest of the grinning junkers speak lightly of the dead who lie upon the field of battles.

But underneath it all, underneath the profiteering that is going on, the tears and the grief that is amongst us, the Knights of Liberty outrages, the lynching of men and the tarring and feathering, and the death that always hovers overhead, there is a strong under-current. Men today are talking and saying things that surprise the old politicians. President Wilson in his letter to the Democratic party of New Jersey stated: "We must write our party slogans anew, the old slogans will not suffice." It was the under-current making itself felt even at the doors of the White House.

That undercurrent is Socialism.

Have you ever sat in a cathedral and heard the huge organ send out its music? A magnificent piece of music is being played. Slowly the organ sends forth its sweetest sounds. It rises higher and higher, until finally in one huge crash the music ends. That is the same feeling when applied to the under-currents of to-day. It is slowly making itself felt and slowly but surely it will come with a grand crash.

Today on every side, men talk of the Socialists. In military camps subscription lists for the sending of Socialists to Congress are filled up. There is no philosophy more talked of today than Socialism. The editorials of your Heralds and News Tribunes warning you against Socialism are but shadows of coming events. Socialism is spreading like fire.

Humanity staggers before the destruction of human life. We are torn with anguish at the loss of life during the recent fire. From that awful fire we realize what havoc has been wrought amongst the suffering peoples of the world. Humanity staggers before the awful injustices of life, revealed in all their hideous nakedness by the holocaust that was set going by a mad Kaiser. But out of it all there has come a reaction.

The scientifically-based beliefs of the Socialist long have been ridiculed and laughed at, but today the very methods of Socialist propaganda are being eagerly studied by the very men who laughed at us but two years ago. Employers who see the events of tomorrow casting their shadows today are wondering and view with uncertainty the coming future. Where, in the past, eye and even in the near past the understanding of men and women regarding world events has been nebulous, today they are able to analyze and debate these issues with an ease of a child repeating his alphabet.

THINGS AS THEY ARE.

The mists of hate and prejudice are dying away and are being dissipated before the sunlight of truth. Here, there, everywhere, the spirit of Revolt against things as they are is commencing and expanding. The people are at last asking—Why? And the more thunderous grows the query the nearer comes that day when at last mankind will be free.

SOCIALISM IS THE ONLY REMEDY.

Socialism is the only remedy for the evils we have stated. Prostitution, child labor, etc., are but products of a system, wherein men think more of \$\$\$\$\$\$ than human life. Signs and portents are ubiquitous. In every land the urge for freedom is finding expression. Here it may take many forms. A seat in the legislature or a successful strike there. But nevertheless no matter what form it may take, we know it is here.

Discontent is in the air. Economic discontent is visible on every hand. In most unexpected quarters it is showing itself. And the capitalist class, with that colossal arrogance and ignorance that have always characterized it, is its finest manufacturer. Every act of oppression by the Public Safety Commission and Burnquist finds its response in the brain of some worker. The petty tyrannies that have been going on in our midst, the lynchings, etc., have only served the purpose of arousing a hatred of those who are responsible for them.

The mad rush for profits has attained such momentum that it would seem that there is every chance of the wild riot terminating in a wild orgy that will spell the death of those who saw in the war a means to enrich themselves at the expense of the men who gave their lives so freely on the field of battle.

Above all the evils of today and towering high overhead stands the war.

The ruling classes now cry for peace because they realize they have set going a flare that cannot be put out at a moment's notice. The peace notes are but the signs of a terrified ruling class in Europe that fears the future. War was alright for them when it went so far, but as it got bigger, as it demanded and ate up the resources of many countries, it was then the ruling class cried halt. They are as powerless as King Canute. War was good for them when things look rosy, but when tragedy stalks all over the world, when almost every home in every part of the globe is shadowed by its grim messengers of death and disaster, the glamor fades into the chimera it really is.

President Wilson in a speech delivered on September 27th realized the truth of the foregoing when he stated that "no sets of men shall have the power to declare war." It was the speech of a man who has his fingers on the pulse of the world and who knew what he was talking about.

Few mothers can content themselves with the words of blatant jingoism like Roosevelt and say it was for his country. Grief is the grim educator and like President Wilson, women are asking is there no other way out?

The only answer to the demand of President Wilson and the women who have lost their sons is—SOCIALISM.

And it is because Socialism is the way out, that its gospel is meeting with such response. Therefore it is the duty of every man and woman who possesses a certain grasp of the fundamental truths of scientific Socialism to be up and doing. To those of you who have not studied Socialism, we appeal to you to commence now. The future will be one of re-construction and whether you will be able to take your part or not depends upon you!

The call to progress is echoing throughout the world. Let the response be unto the last man or woman. Capitalism has heard and is hearing its cry and is uniting its forces for the struggle which it senses if not understands. You must do likewise.

Today Big Business is lining up its forces with Roosevelt as its spokesman and they want foreign markets, which is the desire that fosters all wars.

If you want this war to be the last war, it is up to you to study and know why Socialism can prevent all wars.

Capitalism gorged with the results of its saturnalism of the past four years is uniting, but its virility is not in proportion to its arrogance and unscrupulousness.

You have got to meet the organized forces of capitalism with the organized forces of the working class.

One working class industrial organization and one working class political party.

Labor will then indeed hold power not only in the legislature halls, but in the workshops, mines, factories, etc., where the real power lies.

Then indeed will the final step be taken which will mark the end of capitalism with its social injustices, with its record of brutality, oppression and war, and the ushering in of that new system wherein mankind will for the first time realize what glories life really holds.

If after reading this you are in agreement with the ideas and philosophy advocated, we trust that you will cast your vote for

JOHN ESSEN,

Candidate for Representative for the 59th District

L. P. BEROT,

Candidate for Governor on the Socialist Ticket.

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AS WE SMOKE AN ELCORA.

It is good to lean back in an arm-chair and puff away at a good cigar. As the smoke went curling through the atmosphere, we debate with a few of our friends. Some talk on religion, others on music and some talk on life as we live it.

The discussions have been many and and we have travelled through many fields of thought. The train of thought apparently fathered by the informal debate we held, developed into the question "as to 'WHETHER WE CIVILISED BEINGS ARE AFTER ALL NOTHING BUT A BUNCH OF FOOLS?'" Some of us resented it, but nevertheless the opener of the debate stated his case fairly well and we had to admit that there was something to what he said.

As we discussed the question we were reminded of the celebrated Scotch poet, Robbie Burns, who said, "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn." How true, how apt, and how tragic! The very brutes of the forest are wiser than what we are. When food is plentiful a pack of wolves do not rend each other to pieces and not one of them dies from starvation. Yet, we the wiser animals, have seen warehouses full of flour and men, women and children starving. Verily there is some truth in what our debater said.

When the lions of the forest are attacked they come together and by their combined strength they defeat their enemies. We work all the year around and produce more goods than we require and then at the behest of a mad Kaiser we cut each others' throats in order to obtain the markets where our masters can dispose of the goods we ourselves require.

DO YOU THINK THAT DEBATER WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL?

WHY YOU ORGANIZE AS INDUSTRIAL UNIONISTS?

You will admit, even the most conservative of you, that a human has at least one right and a right that cannot be questioned by even the most reactionary member of the community, and that is that EVERY HUMAN BEING HAS THE RIGHT TO LIVE.

But in granting this right to every human being, why should we allow human beings to live upon other human beings? Of course some economists state that the capitalist is essential to industry and therefore he has a RIGHT to the biggest share of the wealth created by the workers in the particular industry he owns. BUT THE FACT STILL REMAINS THAT HE WAS BORN LIKE OTHER MEN. HE CAME INTO THE WORLD WITH JUST AS MUCH ABILITY AS THE POOR MAN and yet by some miraculous means he is already possessed of millions of dollars. YOUNG ASTOR HAD MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO HIS CREDIT THE FIRST DAY HE WAS BORN. His father even placed this sum to his credit, when his mother showed the first signs of pregnancy. Now why should young Astor have all that wealth and the man who has worked, say for twenty years, still be forced to keep on working for a miserable wage? CAN ANY MAN, IN HIS RIGHT SENSES, ADMIT THAT THIS IS SOCIAL JUSTICE?

The fact remains that society allows men to obtain wealth that they have not assisted in the producing of. Take Harry Thaw for instance. He has been declared insane, yet his income is equal to the wages of at least a thousand men who have to work hard every day. Now the reason why this is considered legal, is because the capitalist class, of which young Astor and Harry Thaw are members of, possesses economic power. This economic power is obtained by their owning and controlling the factories, mines, workshops, etc.

Now in order to have social equality or in other words, have a system of society where every person will have equal opportunity, the workers must organize and take control of the factories. They must first organize. Then they must educate themselves and know why they have organized and also understand how industry has developed. They must understand economics, not the economics as advocated by university professors, but the economics of industry, as applied to the position of the workingclass. EDUCATED AND ORGANIZED THEY CAN THEN OBTAIN CONTROL OF INDUSTRY.

But in organizing in the workshops, etc., they must not forget to obtain the powers of government, that is, the legislature, Senate, Congress and all public bodies upon which sit men who determine and carry out the laws of the lands. THEY MUST BE IN A POSITION TO FRAME AND PASS LAWS THAT WILL ASSIST THEM IN ORGANIZING IN THE SHOP.

With a workingclass organized both industrially and politically, the world will then see the beginning of a new society wherein man will not exploit man and everybody who renders service to society will receive service in return.

If you think the above is correct and you understand the policy we advocate, then we ask you to exercise your common sense and cast your vote for

JOHN ESSEN,

Candidate for Representative, 59th District.

L. P. BEROT,

Socialist Candidate for Governor.

VOTE FOR ESSEN AND BEROT.

STOP! BEFORE YOU MARK THAT BALLOT!

When you go to the polling booth on November 5th, please pause for awhile and ask yourself whether you understand the issues that are confronting you. The marking of a ballot is a simple thing. IT IS AS EASY FOR YOU TO MARK A BALLOT PAPER, AS IT IS FOR A JUDGE TO WRITE OUT A SENTENCE OF DEATH. It is not the act of writing that counts, it is the effect of the act that counts. I could write you out now a check for a billion dollars, but there is not a bank in the whole of America that would redeem it. For the simple reason that the bank knows that I cannot raise one hundred dollars, never mind billions. The same with the political candidate who promises you certain reforms, etc., in return for your vote. HE IS AS POWERLESS TO GRANT YOU THE THINGS THAT RAISE YOUR STANDARD OF LIVING, AS I AM TO GIVE YOU A BILLION DOLLARS.

THE SOCIALISTS ARE ASKING YOUR VOTE JUST TO SHOW YOU HOW YOU CAN ONLY OBTAIN THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE NECESSARY FOR YOUR EXISTENCE BY BEING STRONG ENOUGH TO OBTAIN THEM FOR YOURSELVES.

We Socialists want you to understand the truth about things and not allow others to fool you into the belief that by simply voting you can get whatever you want. You have voted Greenback, Populist, Democrat, Republican and hundreds of other parties and you are where you started, just wondering how you can make both ends meet.

OF COURSE THIS SOUNDS STRANGE, IF YOU CANNOT PROMISE US ANYTHING, WHY DO YOU WANT OUR VOTE?

Simply to curb the power of those who have capitalized this war. Look at your Public Safety Commission, Governor Burnquist and other "loyal" politicians! They have allowed men to be tarred and feathered and lynched. THEY HAVE RAPED THE GODDESS OF LIBERTY AND CUT HER THROAT WITH THE SWORD OF JUSTICE. This is what we want to put a stop to. It is no use expecting roses from a garden full of weeds. And furthermore you cannot use the tools you have, to rid the garden of the weeds, because the reactionary politicians of Minnesota will not let you.

DO YOU KNOW THAT UNDER THE ORDERS LAID DOWN BY THE SAFETY COMMISSION YOU CANNOT ORGANIZE TO OBTAIN HIGHER WAGES AND SHORTER HOURS, ETC.?

We appeal to you at this election to vote for the Socialists because we are the only party that stands opposed to the mob rule, lynchings, and the absolute denial of our constitutional rights. We are the only party that stand for a better and purer womanhood. We stand today asking for your support, because without you we are damned with YOU and you are damned without us. We stand or fall together. Men and women, if within your hearts there is a real feeling for a brighter and better world; if your view of life is one that grants to ALL men a decent standard of living; if you want to still the cry of outraged woman and the starving child, you must be able to do this yourself. You will have to organize in the shop, the factory, etc., in one industrial organization and by voting for the Socialist, you will prevent any laws being passed that will hinder you in your work for the freedom of yourselves and your fellow-workers.

THINK OF THIS BEFORE YOU MARK YOUR BALLOT!

Vote for

JOHN ESSEN,

Candidate for Representative, 59th District.

L. P. BEROT,

Socialist Candidate for Governor.

AS THE CLOCK STRIKES THE MIDNIGHT HOUR.

A New York paper sends us an article, in which a writer is of the opinion that the workingclass will have to use physical force if they are ever to achieve their emancipation. The writer is much perturbed over the propaganda that we must adopt in order to bring the idea of using physical force into the mind of the worker.

In peace time the above problem would have been criticised as being an anarchist idea and furthermore it would have been hastily condemned as aiming at the destruction of our movement. Today we are passing through a gigantic war. The countries, like England, which were so opposed to military training, that the very suggestion of it was sufficient to defeat a candidate for parliamentary honors, have had to adopt it. America today has to adopt it under the euphonious title "the Draft Law." The army that was the refuge of the rich, the adventurer and the starved, has become a truly national institution. Into it has been drafted all manes of men. Today the army is THE thing. All industry is centered upon keeping the army going. It stands like a sacred bull does in India. No word can be said against it. To the radical the position looks appalling. There

does not appear to be any hope of ever seeing a strong radical movement again. The army in the hands of men like Roosevelt and Senator Lodge can be used against the workers. But comrades forget that militarism, like an organism, contains within itself the seeds of its own destruction. The expense of keeping up militaristic enterprises is too great to last. THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM CANNOT STAND THE STRAIN OF MILITARISM TOO LONG. IT GOES SO FAR AND ONLY SO FAR. On the other hand, with militarism comes discipline. The people are being taught discipline, that we find is sadly needed in many radical organizations. The people are also becoming familiar with the use of military weapons. Oh, no, comrades! The position is far from being hopeless. If anything, it offers us more hope than before. The people are armed; if they lose their arms, they know how to use others. The people only need to have their social-consciousness aroused and a little more of the education, that is being provided for them out on the fields of France, and then— ? ? ? ? ?

The clock strikes twelve, away to bed and dream of a New Era. MASTERS, STOP IT IF YOU CAN. You started this force idea, you taught us force in every strike. You taught IT us in this war. Soon the clock will strike the hour that heralds in the dawn of the bright tomorrow. Time, the dispeller of ALL illusions will open your eyes to one of the most stupid mistakes of your existence and that is where you sought to hoodwink yourselves by thinking that because the system under which you rob the workers, was built and maintained by force, that you could go on using force forever. The class you used to force to bow to your demands will in turn use force to force you from forcing the class that you forced to work for you.

HOW DOES THE PICTURE LOOK TO YOU?

POVERTY HAS GOT TO GO.

WHAT IS POVERTY?

The dictionary states that poverty is to be poor and to be poor is to be destitute. Now that means that there are some things that we need. Because if we did not need them, then we would not suffer because we did not possess them. Now let us see what we do need, so that we shall not be poor. First, we want a decent place to live in. Now it is quite easy to build a house, because there is plenty of land and also plenty of building materials. THEN WHY IS IT THAT WE HAVE NOT GOT THESE FINE HOUSES? Why is it when there is so much land, we have to live in crowded slums? In the meantime think it over.

We want food to eat, because it is no use having a house if we have got to starve to death. Now there is plenty of land, upon which plenty of wheat is grown and there are plenty of mills to grind the wheat and there are plenty of bakers to make the bread. NOW WHY DO CHILDREN STARVE FOR THE WANT OF BREAD? Question number two to think over.

Now we want cloth to make clothes, otherwise Mr. Silberstein will be compelled to pass an ordinance. There are plenty of sheep, to get the wool from their backs is easy, and there are plenty of tailors to make the clothes when the wool is made into cloth. THEN WHY IS IT THAT WE SEE CHILDREN AND MEN ALSO GOING ABOUT HALF-NAKED AND SHIVERING FOR THE WANT OF CLOTHING? This is question number three.

We could go on with question after question and you know the questions we would ask. The reason why we have not got the fine houses, the good food and the fine clothes, etc., is because our masters have stored them up and unless we pay high prices for them, we cannot get them. Now our wages are not high enough to get these things and if we obtain a rise in wages, the cost of these things increases and so our high wages fall again. Now we have got to get those things, which after all are ours because we made them, they did not fall from the sky. Now the only way to keep them when we make them is to own and control the job on which we made them. Simple, is it not? NOW YOU CAN CONTROL YOUR JOB BY ORGANIZING AS INDUSTRIAL UNIONISTS AND ALSO BY KEEPING YOUR MEN—WORKERS WHO WORK WITH YOU, NOT PROFESSIONAL POLITICIANS—IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLIES AND WHILST YOU HAVE GOT YOUR EYES ON THE BOSS IN THE FACTORY, YOUR REPRESENTATIVES WILL WATCH OUT TO STOP ANY LAWS BEING ENACTED THAT WILL PUT YOUR INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION OUT OF BUSINESS.

Do you get the idea? Just talk it over with the fellow next to you. Perhaps he will agree with us; if he does, tell him to tell the other fellow and then all tell each other and then SOLIDARITY. If you do agree with us, remember two of your fellow-workers, both men who work on the job, are standing for political office. When you go to the polling booth, remember these two candidates:

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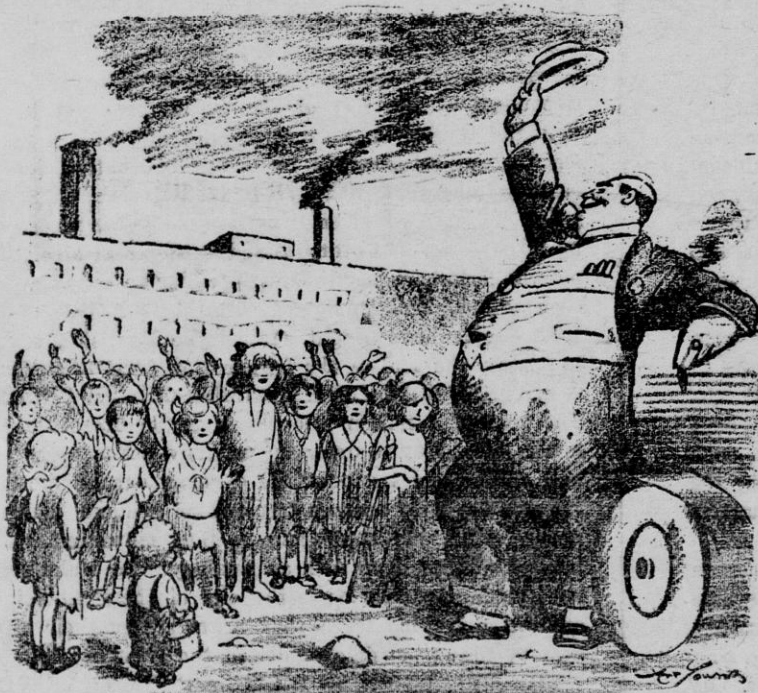
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Child Labor

By THE EDITOR.

The United States Supreme Court has declared the recent Child Labor Law that was passed in Congress, unconstitutional.

Nearly two million! Golden boys and girls—citizens of the future and mothers that might be—mangled, mind, body and soul, and aborted into a maturity robbed of power and promise. They are too tired. One listens in vain for some bitter wail to ring high and clear above the roar of the machinery that has them in its grasp. But the commonwealths of the republic, like huge, shells of the sea, are filled with their sighings. Listen where one will and one may hear it, for few indeed are the states in all this great country that come into the court of public opinion with clean hands. Look where we will—we may see, for the stretch of the two million is from the East to the West, from North to South.

Mark them as they huddle in the darkness, the squalor and the disease of the city tenements, pouring youth and hope and happiness into the myriad inconsequentialities that they make for the adornment of those who preen themselves in the upper sunlight!

Their faces are ghastly in the glare of the white-hot furnaces of the glass house where they sweat the long nights through; and, as they scurry with their midnight messages to the saloons, jails and houses of prostitution, an evil wisdom dawns in their eyes that is not good to look upon.

Across the waters are men giving up their lives. Without a murmur or protest of any kind, they marched joyfully to war. Can you at home honestly say that you have "Kept the Home Fires Burning," when by your silence and your votes you countenance the very things that we abhor in the German? The boys that come home will want an answer and their answer will

have to be one that will bear comparison with the sacrifices Socialist Candidate for Governor, that they have been making over there. WILL YOUR VOTE STAND THE TEST? Will you be able to look those boys square in the face and say, that you fought against the industrial Kaisers at home that have condemned over two million American boys and girls to industrial slavery? YOU CAN SAY THAT IF YOU STAND BY THOSE WHO AT ALL TIMES HAVE WORKED AGAINST CHILD SLAVERY. The only political party that has stood out against child slavery and told you the solution to this detestable social injustice is the Socialist Party. True it is that we have been called disloyal. True it is that we have been called pro-German! But it has been by the men and those that have made huge fortunes out of the body and blood of these two million child slaves. You cannot afford to support the old political parties who by their silence and their support stand for the system that produces this slavery!

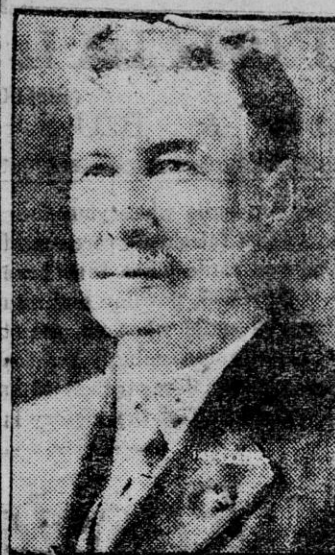
We ask you to consider the above and in your calm moments to realize, that not until you have done with a system that is at the bottom of this child labor evil, can you ever hope to abolish the evils that beset your path.

The Socialist Party appeals for your support so that the social consciousness of the people may be aroused to finally bring them all together and in grand army of Labor sweep forever from our path the evils that stand staring us in the face. IF YOU WILL BUT JOIN WITH US, YOU WILL THEN BE ABLE TO TRULY SAY THAT YOU "KEPT THE HOME FIRES BURNING."

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Many Happy Returns Eugene V. Debs

Sixty-three years ago there came into the world a man who has touched the hearts of more people, than any living being we know of. Ever since the age of fourteen, that man has always been in the wroth ranks of the labor and socialist movement, giving of his best. So it is with a great amount of pleasure and pride that it falls upon us the honor of extending to Eugene V. Debs many happy returns of the day.

Many of you who read this paper for the first time, have your minds poisoned by the lying press, whose editors are not worthy enough to fasten the shoes of a big souled man like Debs. Those of you who profess faith in the Christian religion and warship at the shrine of Jesus, you have met many men and heard many speakers, but you have never heard a man who spoke with more earnestness and whose soul was aroused with greater love for his fellowman than Debs. It has been the joy of our life to have talked and walked with this great soul Eugene V. Debs. As we sat and gazed at this man, because he is a man in every meaning of the name, we saw there all the love and the faith of one man for his class. Debs never was a Pharisee, often he has gone down into the red-light district and poured words of comfort and good cheer into the ears of those who have been made victims of a hellish and damnable system. When others sought to drive them to their grave, it was Debs who took one of them by the hand and gave her all the comforts that is was possible for one human being to shower upon another. **Men and women, would to God that we could make you know and understand this man.** Would that his message could stir your hearts and brains to make you take your place alongside of those who have been honored by belonging to the same movement that contains such a noble adherent as Debs. To make you understand what kind of a man he is, we want to tell you a real story that can be vouched for, by his bitterest enemies. Years ago Debs was the secretary of a railway union and after a hard and bitter struggle the union decided to disband, leaving itself in debt several thousands. No one could claim that Debs was responsible for that debt. It was a debt that had been contracted by an organization of workmen. Yet Debs worked hard for many years and finally he managed to pay every cent of the debt. Scorning wealth and position he came and gave his all to YOU, the workers. The forces that be, have caused many a mouth to be sealed, but we know that many a heart beats in unison with ours in a love for this great man. Some day the men who know Debs, and they are in the hundreds of thousands, someday we say, they are going to express themselves in no uncertain tones. Then you, my friends, will learn the truth about Eugene V. Debs, which a prostituted press denies you.

Eugene V. Debs, we extend to you the greetings of the comrades of Minnesota. Out in the Northwest where the forces of reaction and tyranny are entrenched, we go on with our work for the bringing about of the New Era. Inspired by your work, we only hope and trust that it will be our privilege to serve the cause of Socialism as long and as nobly as you have served it.

As we gaze at the Northern Lights, they seem to beckon us on to be of faith and good cheer. As the Northern Lights shed their rays, so has your work shed its rays and today we stand upon the eve of the realization of our hopes and fondest desires. When we gaze upon the results of our work, we shall be happy to know that the ideal of our youth, fulfilled in the days of the twilight of our life, that it was the work of you and men and women like you, that made it possible.

May you live to see the day that you are working for, is the cherished ambition of the many comrades who realize your worth and devotion to the greatest movement that ever was born.

VOTE FOR ESSEN AND BEROT.

CAN YOU SMILE?

Can you smile when others revile you,
Always keeping your head through it all?
Can you smile when your friends are doubting,
And your rivals wish you to fall?
Can you smile when the luck is against you,
When the whole world seems dark and drear?
Can you smile in the face of disaster?
Then good fortune is sure to be near.

Can you smile when they lie about you,
And your facts are twisted and turned?
Can you smile when truths you have spoken
Are laughed at by fools and then spurned
Can you smile and then go on waiting,
With patience and courage anew?
Can you smile when many are hating?
Then your dream will surely come true.

Can you smile when your foes attack you
With falsehood, sarcasm, disdain?
Can you smile when they have the advantage
Of riches, position and name?
Can you smile when no one stands with you,
And you seemingly fight all alone?
Can you smile regardless of failure
Then half of the victory is won.

Russia!!

The capitalist press, the tool of capitalist interests, is using all its venom in order to discredit the Soviets of Russia. The longer the Soviets reign in Russia, only tends to make them all the wilder. SO KINDLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE WILDER THEY GET, THE BETTER AND THE MORE SECURE IS THE SOVIET POSITION IN RUSSIA. The Soviets will control Russia for many years to come, despite the tremendous forces that are allied against them. The forces that are mustered against the Soviets of Russia are a tribute to the remarkable ability of the Soviets. No living group of people could possibly withstand the opposition that the Soviets have withstood. Therefore at this time it is the bounden duty of all members of the workingclass to stand by the Soviets in Russia. The foolish chatter of the Herald and the News Tribune is an insult to the intelligence of the average American worker. Those whom the News Tribune and the Herald deery stand by, there must be some good in them.

Let us examine the Russian position and possibly we may derive some reasons why the capitalist papers of America are opposed to them.

In 1914 war was declared upon Germany by the Allies, which included Russia. The Czar with his alliance, with nations like France and England, found great support. At the beginning of the war the Russians were successful, they scored a few victories and accordingly as they won battles so their prestige was increased. The Czar had welcomed the war because it united the nation and consequently postponed any uprising of the people. But when the victories became fewer and the defeats more numerous, the Czar then endeavored to make terms with the German junkers. But the Czar forgot, that the reason why he got the support of the Russian capitalists was because they expected to obtain Constantinople. CONSTANTINOPLE WAS THE HOPE OF THE RUSSIAN CAPITALISTS. It opened the way to the far East and so the capitalist class of Russia stood by the Czar. But when the Czar sought to make terms with the Kaiser, then the Russian capitalists realized that there was no hope of ever reaching Constantinople and so they deserted the Czar.

The many military reverses that the Czar was suffering from, were the compelling factors that determined his policy with the Kaiser. The lack of co-operation of the Russian capitalists placed the Czar in an impossible position. He could neither carry on the war nor could it be brought to end. It was a position that reminded one of the man who said "he stood between the Devil and the blue sea."

The workingclass at this time had been fighting for three years in the trenches. Three years starving, poorly clad, and witnessing their comrades being shot down, because they did not possess the necessary ammunition to defend themselves. MARK WELL THE TORTURES THEY WERE ENDURING, THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE SEVERELY CRITICISING THEM NOW. TO BE STARVED, ILL-CLOTHED AND TO BE CAUGHT LIKE RATS IN A TRAP AND TO BE SHOT DOWN! WHAT A HELL UPON EARTH THOSE NOBLE RUSSIANS WENT THROUGH! Besides this, the population were being starved, all the food that could be raised was sent to the soldiers. So on that memorable day in March, 1917, when the Petrograd garrison refused to fire on the famished population, the revolution commenced.

The capitalists of Russia who had been balked of their prey, Constantinople, by the discontinuance of the war, set about and intrigued with the army. They little realized what they were commencing, but finally the army revolted. It was impossible for Czarism to continue against such odds. With the army in revolt and the capitalists out of harmony with its policy, Czarism had to bid the world adieu.

The Duma claimed to be the representatives of people, but in offering the throne to Duke Michael, they clearly proved how little they knew of the real Russia and so they soon were superseded. We are all full aware of the successive governments that followed.

Where the Provisional Government, created by the Duma, assisted by the Cadets, failed, was in believing that the workers were not fit to govern. It was then the Soviet of the Workmen's, Soldier's and Peasant's Deputies came into being. Young and inexperienced, but possessed of a class feeling and backed up by the class-conscious workers of Russia, it soon forged to the front. The Provisional Government sought to restore Russia to its old form, thinking that they could do this and satisfy the Russian people. They failed to retain control and so by hard work, Lemine and Trotzky at

the risk of their lives, succeeded in rallying the Bolshevik forces. They fused new life into the Russian people. DOWN WITH CAPITALISM THAT GAVE US CZARISM, AND ON WITH THE BUILDING OF A NEW SOCIAL ERA. That was what inspired the Russian people. It was something worth while that the Bolshevik offered. The land for the peasant and the mines, factories, etc., for the people. Acting together the people could carry on things and make Russia the real Russia, a home of happy people. The Bolshevik have had to contend with the forces of all nations and so today they stand supreme, because they have the Russian people behind them.

The Bolshevik have been criticised for repudiating the foreign debts contracted by the Czar. How can we in America blame them for taking such a step? Go to Broadway and walk through the "swell" cabarets and listen to the stories of how Russian officers spent their tens of thousands of dollars in giving wine suppers to the demi-mondaines and the actresses of America! Can you expect the Russian people to sweat themselves in order to pay off the debts, that were contracted by men who lived lives of debauchery? Was the Russian peasant to slave himself in order to pay for the \$10,000 check that was given to a Broadway beauty? AMERICAN WORKERS, BE REASONABLE. Here is a race of people just broke loose from their chains of slavery. The sunlight of freedom is dazzling them and they are making, PERHAPS, a few mistakes, but they will make you feel proud of them before many years have rolled on. Read what a representative of a capitalist firm says of them. This news item is taken from a New York daily:

Carl F. Sturhan, manager of the Russian Insurance Company, has received a letter from an assistant manager in Petrograd, dated at Copenhagen. He says that the officials have remained the same and the investments of the company have been undisturbed. He said that relations with the Central Soviet in Petrograd were agreeable and enclosed a summary of the new insurance laws, which Mr. Sturhan said were quite just. He said that rentals were coming in with regularity. Mr. Sturhan said that the reported anarchy and insurrection throughout Russia is largely exaggerated. Large sums such as \$125,000 at a time have been received by the London office from the Petrograd headquarters without difficulty.

Mr. Sturhan said that he believed the Russian government was on a far more stable basis than a year ago. Mr. Sturhan remarked that the disturbances in Russia had been more or less confined to certain sections. "For instance," he said, "the Moscow branch of our company is almost as large as that in Petrograd, and financially it is practically separate. Moreover there has been very little disturbance in Moscow and in some parts of Russia the changes of the past eighteen months have passed by practically unnoticed."

The capitalist press is printing lies in galore and will continue to do so. Why should they not? THE CAPITALIST PAPER THAT WRITES "A GOOD WORD ABOUT RUSSIA, IS BETRAYING THE MEN WHO FINANCE IT, THE CAPITALISTS. The capitalists see in Russia the doom of the system that has given them so much. They see the dividends and profits slipping from their fingers. Gone will be the wine suppers, the nights of wine and song, etc. If Bolshevism spreads, then the capitalists of ALL countries will have to start to work. WHAT A DREADFUL FUTURE! NO WONDER THEY LIE, SCHEME AND INTRIGUE AGAINST THE BOLSHEVIKI!

COME WHAT MAY, WE ARE FOR THE BOLSHEVIKI, AND WHEN YOU KNOW THE TRUTH YOU WILL BE WITH THEM TOO.

WHAT ARE THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE SINN FEIN MOVEMENT IN IRELAND?

Miss Katherine Hughes was sent to Ireland to study the social conditions existing there, by the Agent-General for Alberta in London. The author was in the midst of the Sinn Fein activities and sets down in clear style the aims and objects of Sinn Fein movement. Her book will prove of great value to those Americans who have been wont to see Ireland through specially fitted glasses, provided by England. Miss Hughes gives facts and also quotes two well-known English writers, Sydney Brooks and Austin Harrison, in order to lend weight to her arguments.

The unfortunate feature of the controversy over the Irish question is the fact that no writer, with the exception of Francis Hackett and James Connolly, has treated it in a proper manner. Miss Hughes has en-

deavored to write on the Irish question, but being herself a superficially minded woman, she fails to understand the REAL Irish question, hence her lending her hearty support to the policy and aims of the Sinn Feiners. Many Socialists in America are of the opinion that the Sinn Feiners of Ireland are Socialists and accordingly every seat captured by the Sinn Feiners is credited to the radical movement in Ireland. Therefore with the coming of this book, we are going to give to our readers some slight idea of what Sinn Feinism is.

In the first place, Sinn Feinism is a philosophy similar to that set forth by Liszt, an Hungarian economist. Liszt was of the opinion that a country could maintain itself, if necessary, apart from the rest of the nations of the world. This idea was seized upon by Arthur Griffiths, the founder of Sinn Fein, and created quite an enthusiasm in Ireland. The historical hatred of England by Ireland, the continual cry of the English Tory that Ireland was dependent upon England, gave the policy and aims of Sinn Fein a brilliant opportunity to take root in the hearts of the Irish people. Along came the memorable revolt of May, 1916, and with the hanging of the leaders of the movement, Sinn Feinism, more than any of its supporters ever dreamed of. It brought Sinn Fein to the front and the success of Sinn Feiners in the recent elections is due to the asinine policy adopted by England during the 1916 rebellion.

Sinn Feiners fail to realize that with the advancement of the machine, no nation can stand aloof from the complex of nations. All nations are bound together, due to the industrial machine and the men or women who believe that a nation can so isolate itself as to be independent of the rest of the world, have yet to understand the world and its development. This is not to say that all nations will be in one big nation, insofar as they must subordinate all their traditions, characteristics, etc., into a kind of a melting pot. It is recognized by all students of history, that the people of all nations possess certain characteristics, peculiar to the people of each nation. This is more so with the Irish, because the Irish people have fought against the English attempts to destroy the soul of the Irish nation. THE SOUL OF A NATION WILL LIVE AS LONG AS ITS PEOPLE. The soul of a nation is expressed in its literature, art, music, etc. But to draw the analogy between the soul of a nation and its industrial development, as the Sinn Feiners do, is to make a tremendous mistake, which if not rectified will spell ruin to that movement which bases its hopes upon such an analogy. To make terms with modern capitalism is the aim of the Sinn Feiners and in so making terms they acknowledge their unfitness be the responsible guides of the Irish people.

THE MAN WHO CAN WRITE A BOOK THAT WILL GIVE YOU THE REAL CAUSE AND THE SOLUTION OF THE IRISH QUESTION, HAS YET TO DELIVER HIS MESSAGE. THE MAN WE REFER TO IS JIM LARKIN, THE MAN WHO WILL PROVE TO BE TO IRELAND WHAT LENINE IS TO RUSSIA. Here is a man who understands Ireland, better than any living Irishman. He has worked with the people. He has inspired more Irish men and women to action than any other man we know of. So we trust that before long, Jim Larkin will utter the necessary words that will clear up the Irish position and so prevent writers from confusing the real issue that at present is so much alive in Ireland.

Whilst disagreeing with the Sinn Fein movement, we strongly recommend our readers to send for a copy of this book to The Donnelly Press, 164 E. 37th St., New York City. Price 30 cents, postage paid.

ANOTHER WARNING.

The financial and industrial lords, talking to each other, continue to keep the workers posted upon what they may expect after the war if they do not get wise at once and organize 100 per cent on the industrial and political field. This time it is the famous Dow, Jones & Co, New York. In their Monday circular of last week, published for the guidance of those who gamble in the flesh and blood of the workers through the buying and selling of stocks, they have this to say:

Profiteering has been done not, as so frequently charged, by Big Business, but by the labor unions and the farmer. With the war over, thousands of American soldiers now in Europe will be looking for jobs. With peace, thousands of foreigners will come to the United States seeking work; for the tide of emigration, shut off since 1914, will then restart. That this will mean liquidation of wages is the confident view of not a few level-headed economic observers.

After reading, cut it out and hand to the man and woman who work next to you and ask them to pass it along. Multiply yourself in this manner. The others will see its significance just as quickly as you do, only the papers that they read will not carry it. It was not intended for the eyes of any one but those who live off the fruits of your toil. Give it the widest publicity.