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# OFFENDERS PROVES

"Peace? Why, my fellow citizens, is there any man here or any woman — let me say, is there any child - who does not know that the seed of war in the modern world is industrial and commercial rivalry?....

"This war was a commercial and industrial war. It was not a political war."

These are not the words of a ranting socialist, nor of an I. W. W. agitator, nor of a pacificist, nor of a conscientious objector to war, nor of any of those who at this time are condemned to years of bestial confinement by the present administration in the cells of the federal prisons of this country.

They are the words of Woodrow Wilson at St. Louis Sept. 5th. But President Wilson is not in prison doing the lock step for saying them. He is not confined saying what he knew to be the thruth un to a short time ago. He is not facing I. W. W., conscientious objectors, religious

for saying what HE thot was true of war, as many others have met death and gone insane. He is not locked up for weeks in the "black hole" on a diet of bread and water at the instigation of petty, ignorant and brutal guards. He is not paying the penalties HE has imposed upon hundreds of men and women for sying LESS than

The war is not over according to the President's decision in the coal strike, therefore the President is guilty of a violation of the espionage law under which all political prisoners were jailed. But he has not walked into jail and given himself up as a violator of the law. Nor has the Department of Justice sent its of ficers with handcuffs to bring Mr. Wilson to the bar of justice. Nor will it.

Yet if others are guilty, so is he. If Debs is guilty and deserves ten years in prison, then the President deserves twice the sentto a cell for fourteen hours a day for ence Debs received, for Debs said much less than the words spoken at St. Louis. about the causes of the war as was Debs The jails are filled with members of the

death and insanity behind prison walls objectors, pacifists, Socialists and others for righteousness and freedom for all the who, believing in the Constitution of the United States, offended M. Wilson by saying much less than he he stated about

Where lies the justice it this proceedure? Are the officials of the government immune from the laws they make and put their names too as the law raking body? Are the laws made for the many and not tor the few? Are the laws made for all the people or are they make only to be enforced upon the opponent of these in

We have never made any statements in this paper as to the cause of the war. To have done so would have meant the cancellation of our mailing riviliges and a term in prison for the editors along with Debs and others. But we fee free to agree with the President's definition of the war's real causes. We will agree with him and accept his statement -- "This was a commercial and industrial var."

The hollowness of the President's claims during the real period of the war are thus seen. A war for democracy, a war

world against autocracy in all its formsthese were given as the purpose of the war times without number.

Out of these slogans a psychological effect was produced which acted to cover all opposition to the war. Millions gave their lives believing in them. The government used them to the limit in squeezing the last cent from the public in its drives for finances to pay the cost of war. And now we are told by the man who acted the leading part in this world tragedy — that it "was a commercial and industrial war" between commercial and industrial nations for world trade and economic supremacy.

We will accept the President's latest definition for the causes of the war. But we will not sit quietly by while our comrades and fellow workers lie in prison port of every worker is demanded. For it with the iron heel of despotism upon them. We will not be silent. We will reveal the hollow mockery of justice at Washington until they who are responsible for the in- Agitate for liberation for political prisonhuman outrages against our comrades are forced to open the prison doors. No workfor self determination of all coples; a war er with red blood in his veins can rest in THEM IN!

peace with his conscience until this injustice is wiped out. Day by day, the Army of Liberators is growing. Every hour sees the demand for the release of all political prisoners increasing. Every moment they remein in prison brings nearer the day of judgment for the ruling class of

The ruling class fears to let our comrades out of prison. It knows that the moment they step out of prison they will join the growing army of INDUSTRIAL liberators who are waging a war against them for control of the world and their own destiny. Keeping the political prisoners in jail is a weapon in the class war, used by the ruling class in its programe of repression. They fear to let them out. They may well fear to keep them in!

In this fight for liberation, the supwill require the combined efforts of all of us to OPEN THE PRISON DOORS. Do your part. Join the Army of Liberators. ers wherever you are — at all times. Make the powers that be FEAR TO KEEP

> "No Evidence of Advocacy of Violence" Says Judge

> > Moylan.

continue in Cleveland.

Communist Labor Party officials

League and police, were dismissed by

## Ex-officer of Russ Army Gives Views on Conditions in Siberia.

Military expert for "London Express" Describes Kolchak rule as state of 'unorganized despotism'.

Editor, Ohio Socialist,

has seen long service in the Russian work of crushing Bolshevism. One of army and who served in the British these Kolchak satellites, Karmando press' during the war.)

obtain. Therefore, wherever I am the military authorities have had to fortunate enough to find anything apply, and often in vain, as is the which throws the least light upon a ease with General Rozanoff who has situation so obscured by censorships not appologized to the Americans for and propagande, I feel impelled to having flogged an American soldier, bring the results of my searches to arrested an American officer and shot the attention of others who have, like an American boy, Kolchak was unable myself, a deep interest in Russia.

"With great difficulty I have recently been able to obtain a number Russian newspapers from Siberia. These papers include the long. "Colos "Nashe Delo", of Irkutsk; "Colos "Vadivostok: "Vladivostokskoie Oboozrenie," of Vladivostok; "Eche," of Vladivostok; "Ussuriysky Krai," of Nikolsk; "Kazatchiy Vestnik," and several others. These copies which I have bear dates which run from March, 1919, up to vernment." the latets issue which have reached America. All these newspapers are known as the "Kolchak press."

extensive evidence, I have come to the fellowing conclusion: No propaganda in the world can turn the opinion of any sound-minded man in favour if we say that this step which Japan of the Kolchak and Denikin crowd after having read the self-accusations of their own press. It is extraordinary that in spite of the rigorous censorship imposed upon the press in the regions occupied by the Russian reactionaries, these papers should contain so many facts that discredit the administration and expose the conditions of tyranny and disorder in those regions. The papers are filled with the reports of hundreds of cases, before the local in a society without discipline or or Canada. In a recent letter to the State ganization. The many reports of the Office he states that freedom of execution of hostages, described in a speech exists in most cynical and repulsive manuer, greater extent than in the boasted reveal the nature of the regime in land of the free. power. The orders of the day issued by the commanding officers show Easterly point clearly the lack of harmony within the military organization of the Kol-speech on the Mooney case to the chak armies. The Cossaks are dissatis- miners. fied with their reactionary chiefs and are robbing the populations by the is still driving his "Red Devil" car orders of the latter. For instance: siege control of the latter. The Ataman of the third Trans-Baikal Mooney campaign. He has met many Cossack district, Colonel Zelinsky, is interesting people in Canada and made sued an order of the day trying to the acquaintance of numerous labor step the depredations upon the peacetrail normalizations upon the peaceheard of before. Comrade Mrs Blackful population according to the order stone accompanies him. of the well-known Kolchak general He is meeting with great success in in this state. Baron Ungern-Shtenberg. He even his effort for Tom Moone's release.

complained to the All-Cossack Union, officers not only everye all punishment, but, on the eartery, are pro-

Volunteer Army against Germany, my noff, flogged and shot a number of interest in the military and political peasants, and all efforts to arrest him fate of my country needs no explan- were in vain, - Omsk refused to inattion. In addition to the natural in- terfere. As a result of his protests. journalist in seeking the truth con- "Echo" 19, June 1919). I have known of Russia. (I was military critic and that he is an officer singularly deexpert in connection with Russian voted to Kolchak and Denikin, In geaffairs for the London "Daily Ex- neral the Cossack Attaman (chief) are constantly quarreling with the central "Original sources of information subordination of these chiefs is plain Russia are difficult to ly snown in the drastic measures which

> to force his General to do that. Soviet Government of Central Russia. They do not fail, in some cases, to pay tribute to the honesty and organiz ing ability of Lenin.
> "The following extract is taken

from "Echo" of June 6th 1919, Vladivostok."

Press Review. "The Japanese press on the recognition of the Omsk go

first country to recognize the Omsk government and has compelled the "After having studied carefully this United States to join in this proposition is not only a diplomatic success: We think it will be no exaggeration ias taken is of world importance' Osaka Mainichi.

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### Travels Far for Tom Mooney

Robert E. Blackstone, "For Mooney

Recently he spoke in Hemisphere, Port Morian, Cape Breton,

Comrade Blackstone writes that he cisco across the United States in a

## Capitalist Press Paints Glaring Picture of Its Ability to Lie.

The present propensity and capacity of the cipitalist press for lying is without precedent in the realin of ournal- Dubbs grew exultant as they perused the red-headlines pro- communist Labor Party Officials freed ism. Unblushingly, without the shadow of steme or retract- claiming the final overthrow of bolshevism. They again felt of charge of Criminal Syndicalism. ion visible upon its scurrillious pages, it perpetrates devotter safe from the germs of the wily bolshevist. A haven of Ruthenberg and Carl Hacker. Raids complained to the All-Cossack Union, saying that in spite of the general day and year after year its preposteros fakes about its teaders, security opened up before their deluded vision as the picture camplaints of all the cossack regions. Its pages, devoted to the interests of financial piracy and the of a world of labor paternally snatched from the monster, economic system which make legalized graft posts thru bolshevism, by the wholly patriotic affice, was shown them.

The order of the workers in production, are in used times. The drive of all anti-Soviet forces are inst. Bussia's workers in production, are in used times. moted in rank and encouraged by their blatant with lies, corrupt with a corruption unparaller in the ers was well timed. Taking advantage of the last opportunity last Wednesday morning when the

trests of a soldier and citizen, how-ever, I have a special interest as a his post (Order of the day No. 145 - "Roold the Plain Declar".

The posters appeared recently at the time when the the Soviet Government of Russia. More than a month has a mightly blow must be struck and at once. Capitalistic imper- Oct. 23rd, judge Moylan stated that passed since the latest concerted national campaign of lies ialism allied with the Russian reactionaries prepared to deliver he would look over the copies of the was started simoultaneously in the masters' press. Denikin it. All its resources which it dared to enlist, including its public the meeting where they were arrested. was hailed as the savior of Russia, who even then was stated to be in Petrograd safely ensconced in the seat of power are only moderately critical of the with his "patriotic" army of "decent" Russians. Bolshevism, according to the statements made, was on the point of vanishing as darkness before the rising sun.

bonds rose as did the hopes of financiers as they viewed in of the reactionaries and the allies against the Soviets is 1 do" stated the judge. "The cases prospect a steadying of their grasp upon the world and its meeting with sore defeats. Retreat after retreat is occurring against the defendents are dismission. resources. A wave of reaction swept over the country and the on many fronts. representatives of "law and order" expanded their activities "The fact that Japan has been the in wholesale encroachments upon the constitutional rights of the workers. All that smacked of revolt against the powers Army for the defense of Russia. Instead of an advance, a that be was branded as "bolshevik" and ruthless repression rout is occuring. In spite of the most inhuman blockade ever was prescribed as a prelude to the stamping out of the last instituted since the beginning of civilization; in the face of Carl Hacker and Dr. John De Quer, vestige of the rising revolt against their rule of blood and iron.

It was a great game and it worked beautifully. Henry

The crive of all anti-Soviet forces against Russia's workbefore the setting in of winter, it was hoped that sufficient charges of "criminal syndicalism" One of the most striking examples of the depraved depths inroads upon the Soviet strongholds could be made that operatives of the Loyal American to which it has sunk is furnished by the Plain Dealer of Cle- would have a disintefrating influence upon the workers' veland. In bill-board advertisements as large as the side of make at least some successes to counter-balance their stupenduous defeats of the past summer, in order that their ficial of every revolutionary organiz-"Read the Plain Dealer" — and of course grow successful enduous defeats of the past summer, in order that their ation up in the courts on charges of cerning the several factions which are Colonel Zelinsky personally for many thru imbibing the truth and knowledge gleaned there from armies should receive more confidence in their chances of of intimidating the workers and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth authority many that the truth and knowledge gleaned there from the control years and I can state with authority many that the truth author To prove the truthfulness of its claims, the front page of a success before the long period of inavtivity began. Then too, ing up all meetings, whether held in recent issue is shown on the board. "Fall of Petrograd Con- there was the question among the allies of gnowing discontent the privacy of homes or in public, the firmed" reads the headline across the page. This is indeed at home. The Soviets were gaining great moral support may be viewed as a set back to the among the workers of every land. Their cause was becoming "Loyal American Leeches", representknown as the cause of all workers, their success the gain of their illegal and unwarranted raids capitalist press ran wild on one of its periodical sprees against all who labor. Against this growing danger to capitalism upon the workers. press were brought to bear in one mighty onslaught against From the readiness with which he the workers' republic of Russia.

> But the dream has vanished. Petrograd is still in the falsity of the charges against the hands of the Red Army. And if we are to place any credence in the news of the day, (and we are safe in doing so when when the case was called and an assist In the world markets the effect too was felt. Stocks and that news is not in favor of the rapists of Russia), the drive know much about these cases". "Well

Kolchak, it is admitted is mashalling his forces for a capitalism retreat of 1.000 miles. Volunteers are pouring into the Red (Copt. on page 4th.)

#### heir work of further organization of the workers for the overthrow of GRAND JURY RETURNS, INDICTMENTS.

rendered his decision at the later

No League operatives were present

defendents.

The Grand jury last week returne The trial of comrades Ruthenberg and Tacker are set for Nov. 20th. Dr. De uer who was arrested for making a abor Day, will be tried some time!

in December it is that. Another raid took place at Aeme, Hall last week. Eight members of a Russian branch and of the Leidertaifle Club were hauled away to the police station. All are out on a thousand dollars bail each. The charge is the same old gag, criminal syndicalism, which means any thing the powers

The game goes merrily on. So does the coal strike, the steel strike and few hundred others. Discontent mong the workers is steadily gaining lead on repression. Just how soon discontent will turn about and face its pursuer we do not profess know. Things happen quickly, these days, however.

THE "CURE ALL" CLUB SAYS -

"Give the working man hot dogs, am, pretzels, sauerkraut and beer times a day and America will be cured of strikes and Bolshevism."

Jeff Davis, king of the hoboes. "Beer", or "no work" is what Sam

Gompers said at Washington. Woodrow said 4 cents and a round able was sufficient. And the class-conscious worker says: nothing less than "the world for the

workers'' will do Take your choice

## Where Are You At?

After all, this sitting on the fence is rather uncomfortable, in't it? It does very well to elevate yourself for a moment, to get a good look at that which lies to either side of the fence, but to sit on the fence for days

and weeks becomes tedious and wearing.

So we ask — WHERE ARE YOU AT? If you can not accept the platform and program of the Communist Labor Party, why not frankly admit that you are a right winger: that you do not approve of the tactics and principles of the Bolsheviki and of the Third International; that you'd courts, of desertion, corruption, theft Agitator'; who spent several months rather stay with the Socialist Party and its program of patching up capitalism and other crimes which could only be recently in Ohio in the interest of to make it last a while longer. If you honestly believe that a number committed in such excessive numbers the Tom Mooney Defense, is now in of representatives in political office are going to vote you Industrial Democracy; if you honestly believe that the capitalist class is going to allow a few representatives in office, to hand over to you the power now possessed by the possessing class, then hot foot it to the old reactionary Socialist Party. That is where you belong. And belonging there, you should not be ashamed to go there.

If on the contrary, you are convinced that the working class must develop its own machinery and power, must create its own controlling weapon, with which to secure Industrial Democracy; if you believe that we must diligently work in shops thru shop committees to spread the communist propaganda; if you know that politics is a bourgeois game, and that our reason for placing political candidates in the field is to make propaganda for the cause; if you understand that votes are inanimate and that only working class power, exercised wherever possible, will bring workers' controlthen you belong in and should join the Communist Lahor Party RIGHT AWAY.

There's been a bit too much procrastination. Why hesitate? Why not join the reactionary Socialist Party if that is where you belong. Of course, you'll learn better some day. So those Ohio locals that still have to act in the matter of affiliation because campaign business and lack of business meetings have given no opportunity for earlier action - to these we say join locals Bellaire, Cincinnati, Conneaut, Cleveland, Fremont, Galion, Spring. field, Salem, Sandusky, Senera County, Toledo, Youngstown and other state locals in making the Communist Labor Party the workers' weapon

## What One Comrade is Willing to Do for Debs.

Comrades of The Ohio Socialist:-

I have read 'what comrade Gene Debs' lawyer has to say about his health. What can we do?

First: We can employ a doctor and send him there and demand ad- want it to mean so it seems. mission for him.

Second: Twenty of we old fellows can volunteer to serve out Gene's time. That would be six months for each of us. Wilson and Company will thus get revenge upon twenty of us instead of only one, and the prison contractors will lose nothing, but rather gain by having a fresh recruit every six months, I am willing to be one of the twenty.

Third: If there is the shadow of manhood left in the working-class, protest meetings without regard to political affiliations must be called and held all over the country for the freedom of all who are held under the espionage law - except the spies. I believe however, they skipped the

It will do no good to hold a jrotest meeting here and there but more thouroughly than a general strike, the protest must be organized and held from the Gulh to the lakes and from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

#### \*\*\*\*\* STEEL

BY MARY HEATON VORSE

8-----gardens. The man was a foreigner, a continual menace of arrest.

young married man, and what he had We must remember that is come for was not to ask for strike benefits. He wanted advice and the moral support of encouragement.

ficulties. Then he went away, still with his smile, his only assets, his friends, his 90 cents, and his in

- thousands and thousands of them.

striking for the right of a little leisure. They want an end put to this de-humanizing double shift.

the street. "Aren't you working?" he asked.

"No, I am not working. I'm on strike; I'm taking a holiday. I am paying myself back those 20 Christmases I worked for the company," that could be rented. All permits work ended and street meetings were said the man.

"agitators" out. ("Agitator" is the company is name for all members of the A. F. of L. who try to get their fellow workers to join a union.)

There were no halls in Clairton that could be rented. All permits were denied and street meetings were said the man. said the man.

end of the day that he wasn't a Farrell want to go to a meeting they human being anymore. And now these have to go over the Ohio state line into America — and the other evening change this sort of thing, for themselves, for their children, and for

is written it is going to be a history of the faith and courage and endurance of men and women living in wretched slums, their windows look. ing on filthy court yards — living ask a few friends to a lawn party ing on fifthy court yards — living in desolate mill towns in sheds around the great mills; living in bleak houses on steep hillsides where the roads the meeting. The mill workers didn't turn to rearing torrents during each

place. There are large, fat farms; oil bubbles underneath the earth, and all around are beautiful towns full of comfortable American homes. At each turn of the road the ravines and brunt hills make you a new picture. Smoke shuts out all of this when you get to the towns where the mill

roar of the whistle.

They have no life, and now because they have assed for a few hours which to live, every form of supression at terror is being used against them.

Why has the strike not already been

smothered out of existence? Only because of the dogged endurance and the dogged faith of the men. This sation made no head to organization made no head to organization made no head n

has seen strikes where there were not helmets, but with their riot clubs, the trooper struck her across the face has seen strikes where there were not meetings entertainments, processions, the coming together of men working for a common purpose — there is the steel towns in many cases not the steel towns in many cases not were testified to before the Senate to the without a steel towns in many cases not were testified to before the Senate to the without a steel towns in many cases not were testified to before the Senate to the without a steel towns in many cases not were testified to before the Senate to the without a steel towns in many cases not were testified to before the Senate to the without a steel towns in the steel towns in many cases not were the steel towns in the steel nothing like this in the steel towns. because the town authorities asked Committee and, as the witnesses piled It isn't allowed. If more than half a them, but at the request of the com-

in a steel town — no leaflet passed on they were deliberately trying to inthe street to tell the news. No meeting cite riot. How else can one account for can be held without a permit of police. the tearing down of the flag or the Many towns do not allow any meetings at all. In other towns where meetings mission in Braddock in the Slovak that are grudgingly allowed the halls are church and the men were coming out so little that they can hold only a very small fraction of the men on sacks rode them down - not only

over the men. Ecvery day they get controlled themselves - they didn' up to read lieing reports in the attack the Cossacks, and they did papers. Every day they meet on the street, mill employes who try to tribe Cossacks rode down a crowd of babies them to go back. I know a young of the first grade who were going fellow who was discharged because he home from church. was getting men to join the union, No assembling in crowds is allowed and he was of many in his town — I in Braddock. have a list of their names, through There is a narrow street in Brad-

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City .....

The other day a man came into force of the community against them Foster's office. He had been on strike including uncertainty and suspense; in three weeks, and now he had about spite of all the rumors of strike-breakspice of an the runners of strike-break-90 cents left. He had some chickens, he had good neighbors, that had given him vegetables and things from their "Cossacks," the beatings, and the

He wanted to know how he was going to get along. He came rather deprecatingly, smiling in an embarrassed sort of fashion over his difference of striking. There are charges such as obstruting traffic, unlawful assembly, etc., which make it impossible to run a striker in without his having committed any real offense. The strike is based on pepole like forget the old saying that the blood of the martyr's is the seed of the church.

Thousands of them looking upward or an illegal arrest made that hasn't and forward to a better life for helped the strike. There hasn't been a themselves and their children — for club that has come down on a detailed these people are striking for a right to be considered as men. They are the men hurrying to get out their union of a smaller way

Take the case of Clairton for inthis de-humanizing double shift.

The other day in Braddock a mill superintendent stopped an old-timer on the street. "Aren't you working?" he the street. "Aren't you working?" he is a large the case of clarker the first that he can be the first that the stance — this was the town where the union had got no foothold — the watchful authorities had kept the "agitators" out. ("Agitator" is the large that the case of clarker that he case the street. "Aren't you working?" he

That has been the situation with broken up. That is to say, the funda-That has been the situation with broken up. That is to say, the fundamental rights of Americans were christmas. Work that took it out of a man so that he was old at 40. Work that left him so tired at the broken up. That is to say, the fundamental rights of Americans were sweepingly denied. There is no right of free speech and free assembly in the steel towns. When the people in

the workers of all time.

So when the history of this strike of the stri

After a time the organizer hired a vacant lot from one of the mill workers. But a man in Clairton can't know that it was un-American to The PRISONERS ain.

Allegheny County is a fair, sweet

Allegheny County is a fair, sweet
down and the flag was trampled under

down and the flag was trampled under

## Most of them BOYS the horses' hoofs. This started trouble, Of twenty-three of so, for there were some ex-service men there as there are in all workingmen's crowds. The affidavits sent to the Senate abound in statements like:
"The state troopers rushed on the

workers live. Their landscape is the workers live. Their landscape is the rows and rows of great chimneys and the smoke pouring out of them. Their subset is the din of the shop and the music is the din of the shop and the said troopers in defense of our flag heing insulted and defiled, rushed at thus, gunmen and state constabilizations and troopers in defense of our flag. said troopers in defense of our flag and started the excitement and almost

citing to riot'' etc.

No strike poster can be stuck up workers' from the first, or else that from instruction ot about 9-the Costhat, but they rode their horses up courage. So a smothering silence shuts down the narrow church steps. The men

Subscription Blank

enclose it with a dollar or a half dollar in an en-

velope and mail to the address below. Can you do

more RIGHT NOW for the working class than this?

Enclosed find \$..... for a subscription for.....

Name .....

Street address .....

If so, send two subscriptions. Do it now.

Fill out this blank with the name of a worker,

Mr. Gary states that men are never discharged for union activities. This man recently met the foreman of his the street from the tracks and children say anything at all in his declaration.

## The Way We Teach.

They have NO RIGHTS

According to the rules,

(Why, even a DOG

Has rights!

But NOT a prisoner.) They are completely

At the MERCY

Protest at an abuse.

And a SINGLE guard

Says: 'A t so; they LIE!'

Against the word of ALL; And THAT is true

And if a prisoner comes up

He must have a clear record

The guard's word GOES

In EVERY PRISON

In the United States!

For PAROLE

For six months.

A guard should say:

Straight FRONT,

Then BING!

WHATEVER his plea!

This is the way we teach

RESPECT for JUSTICE,

Where NO ONE is penitent,

did in Paris, where he had to make some of those 14 points a little less pointed in order to get

them by with the representatives of certain monarchial governments. But he is still making the same

forgot to first find out what the

people wanted. It's a fatal mistake. There was

like a little kiddie takes the nasty

medicine his mother says he must take

or stay in bed. Just like that. But they

do not do it any more. Perhaps it is

lawyer, another a business man, etc.,

So the president, surrounded by

his cabinet of comfortable gentle-

men of wealth and breeding, ne-

people want before he tells them

what they are to have. And when

the coal miners - 500.000 of them

-ask the coal operators - less

than 1,000 of them — to come through with a little more wages and better working conditions, and

the operators stand sullenly silent

and say that they will close down their mines first before they will

give the miners another red cent

or a few less working ohurs, the

president is guilded by the "pu-blic opinion" of the bankers and

lawyers who surround him always.

He issues a statement blaming the 500.000 coal miners instead of the

100 or less coal operators for trea-

It is a strange, sad case, is the case

their huge profits in the form of

like it, but because they are compelled

tening to shut down the mines.

their mines first before they will

glects to find out what

spend for themselves.

In the penitentiaries

And the reformatories

The man's parole is gone,

If ONCE in all that time

This fellow passed me

And failed to keep his eyes

But glanced at me sideways!'

Of the petty tyrant guards.

Why, if MALF the prisoners

'This is the way,'' he said, That PRISONS are managed.

Gets elected Governor And he looks around and says:

In the election; He's been a useful man to us;

For the job of WARDEN'. So the warden takes office

And forthwith remembers Pete and Bill and Jake

In the precinct work. 'They'll be the stuff, he says,

For guards and captains:

Your little SYSTEM

As absolutely UNDER the WARDEN

As Russia under the czar! No prison DOCTOR Can REMAIN

No guard, no chaplain, Unless he FITS into The SYSTEM.

On their first offense, Some small crime,

lot and the people started to run for his protection, rode two of the away, but when said state troopers steel gray troopers, but they weren't rushed to the platform and tore down

caused a riot, and loyal citizens were greatly incensed. There was no provocation for said interference and riding over women and alignment and almost row. The people have been "pacified." They realize that they have no freedom — no right of free speech or assembly. There no freedom - no right of free speech or assembly. There are communities where for a steel worker to belong to the A. F. of L. is to lay himself open to arrest and imprisonment.

the dogged faith of the men. This strike is not kept together by the ordinary strike discipline. It goes on by its own mementum through the faith and courage of the rank and file.

There is no one who reads this who dues not know how the morale of a strike is kept up. There is no one who has seen strikes where there were not have a strike is not kept together by the ordinary strike is not kept together by the constability had made an irresistable argument — men rushed stability to break into houses at night, smash open trunks and boxes with hatchets. Yesterday I went to the house of a Slovak woman who had called her husband when the common folks of the two stability to break into houses at night, smash open trunks and boxes with hatchets. Yesterday I went to the house of a Slovak woman who had called her husband when the common folks of the together the ordinary to break into houses at the house of a Slov

Committee and, as the witnesses piled because they, themselves, think they in, in ceaseless procession before the senators, the outstanding fact about The only advice the president ever dozen strikers stop on the street to talk over their affairs they are arrested for "blocking traffic." "in-citing to rict" etc.

them, but at the request of the coming in, in ceaseless procession before the pany. So brutal have they been that senators, the outstanding fact about them was their defenselessness. How the theory that they were acting under orders "to throw a scare into the hands against the giant of steel—the small they seemed to lift their feeble hands against the giant of steel - the giant which can command not only live in swell hotels and never get their the mills, but the courts, the police

> There was one thing more outstanincident at Braddock? There was a ding than their defenselessness, and was their steadfastness as they are fighting one of the greatest battles own — experiences. To the president of all history and fighting with no they represent that strange and fickle ather weapon than their unshaken quality known to the parlor students

and the press!

THE CALL MAGAZINE.

THE STRANGE, SAD CASE OF PRESIDENT WILSON By Woodrow

"More," says Labor.
"Less and less," says Capital.
"Nix on the rought stuff," says

say anything at all, in his declaration shop, who offered him back his old job at an increased wage. He didn't allowed her by city ordinance. Since go, for they are not going back because they have settled down to a long, grim fight, in spite of every children in front of him. Behind him, Wilson seems to have had a lapse in cause they refuse to give the miners enough to eat? Very strange! President Wilson seems to have had a lapse in memory. Not very long ago it was he who said that the real trouble nakers in this country are the big business interests behind the "in-

But just in order to keep our faith in human nature let's diagnose the strange, sad case of President Wilson. We know that he forgot to say that he would use an army against the coal operators if they persisted in refusing the miners enough wages to live on decently. Now there must be something wrong with President Wilson's thinking apparatus. Otherwise there is no way to explain such a strange ideathat 500,000 coal miners have no right of President Wilson. We diagnose it to quit working if they do not like and find that the president is doing the conditions or wages under which the best he knows how, but that he they are working. And the amazing does not know very much. For instance, statement of the president that they he does not know that the great mass are "unlawful" in striking, while the of common people over whom he is oal operators are perfectly within their president, are behind the coal miners rights to close down the mines any in their demand that the millionaire day they are good and ready, throwing coal operators must disgorge some of thousands of men out of work and their huge profits in the form of

cuting off the production of coal!

Let's diagnose the strange, sad case of President Wilson, who seems to of President Wilson, who seems to petting ready to strike because they

ing apparatus.

Now the president is, we will admit, doing the very best he knows how. The only trouble ss

Scott Nearing's A PROPERTY crime, MOST HARD. Sent up for a year. Antonio, answering the efforts of

Gary, for example. He has refused There are yet many chambers to expoint-blank to have any dealings with the unions which the American Fed''The thing that puzzles me is eration of labor has organized in the plants of the Steel Corporation. He and Mr. Compers must sit down together, and unless one violds thing that is worth contending for. "What they must come to an absolute deadlock; since Judge Gary will not conquestion. eele so much as the right of organization to the half million employes

of his corporation. systems and manufacturing establish-ments. He speaks for the monopoly that has for years been regarded as the chief among the corporate ene-mies of the public weal. The conference is like an assemblage of oil particles and water particles. Will they mix? The history of the National Civic Federation, which has been try-ing this same thing for many years

form or another, and not one of them mistale he made there; the mistake that all men who never labor with and hands for their living make when trying to "fix things" for the peoples of the world. He

4. They might agree to have the position in life."

government own industries, and labor manage them, in accordance with the Plumb Plan. Will they? 5. They might agree to the socialization of all productive machinery,

Will they do any of these things? No, they will not!

gets, we are told, is given him by the cabinet members and his other friends who ride about in limousines, Does anyone expect them to do class of gentlemen, of course, think that the whole world is just like their world, and the advice they give the president is always colored by their world, and the advice they give the president is always colored by their own — experiences. To the president that strange and fickle they represent that strange and fickle the last to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The the the best the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best the best the best the best to decide in favor of the banker and mortgage holder. The there is the best ists and manufacturers of the United States', who, to use another of Mr. Wilson's phrases, "are the masters of the united by the man, as well as all other creatures, (Continued next week.) Wilson's phrases, "are the masters of but dont forget for a moment that of economics as "public opinion." For is not one of them a banker, one a the government of the United States.' and whose names have been sprinkled with so lavish a hand among the prerepresenting all shades of "public opinion" — all but the one shade which is greater than all of them com-

bined, the opinion of the milions of common folks who just make the things. wealth and have very little of it to The conferees will talk. Perhaps they will wrangle. They will appoint sub-committees, pass resolutions and make recommendations. When they have finished their labors, the Presidemanded Jack. dent will undoubtedly deliver another

personal message to Congress.

And the high cost of living? The steel strike? The demands of the miners? Grinding poverty? Unrest? Incipient revolt? They will be exactly where they were before. The only difference anywhere will be in the thousands of dollars that the conference will cost the public treasury.

Antonio still shakes his head, Mr. President, muttering, — "You may as well do anything most hard!"

"You may as the preaching caused his debtors to refuse to pay interest."

"No dad wouldn't like it, especially if the preaching caused his debtors to refuse to pay interest."

"What would be do?"

"York, Basanta Koomar Roy of India. COMRADES:—

We are under considerable exponse in bringing speakers here for these meetings. Every comrade should therefore take a deep interest in the

the price of coal to more than double and have already shut down many of the mines to one-half their normal production. And, because the president is a

pacifist and shuns volence in any form, he declares that the miners are trying to terrorize the country by tying up the fuel supply, and he says he will use the army to keep the mines running. Of course we can always stop to wonder why the president does not use the army to keep the mines running when the coal operators shut them down, all over the country, on an average of three days a week, ewen in war times. We can wonder but that is all we seem able to Perhaps we had better put a man in the president's chair who knows a little something about what is going on in the country and what the common folks want. Guess we are weary of taking the nasty medicine Dr. Government prescri-

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## THE BLACK SHEEP

By Long and Lanky.

forty-four men have assembled (in the President's phrase) "for the purpose of discussing the labor situation in the country and the possibility of formulating plans for the development of a new relation between capital and labor."

President Wilson's call stated that the conference would be held between "twenty-two representatives of the general public and an equivalent mumber of representatives of various bodies of organized labor and organ."

perience in unravelling my problems."

"I have read a few books about life and its laws; its apparent myst cries and their solution. I have verified what they said by observing the actions of the living and the remains of the dead. I found that what the books said was generally true. Really, I had faith in the works of Darvin, I have read a few books about unions and into political parties and mutual benefit societies. Behind it all is the same law, economic determinism."

"By the way, Jack, do you know anything about labor unions?"

"Yes, I know that dad hates 'em."

"Naturally," conceded the engineer as he laughed good humoredly.—

"But you are going to join a union, when you have learned a trade?"

"God, McCabe, Allen and Loeb, But none of these men mentioned that should be presented the contradiction in human so-

ence against labor by scleeting, as 'representatives of the general public' bankers, manufacturers, specialists, profiteers and monopolists is environment while manufacturers and monopolists. lators, profiteers and monopolists its environment, while men are related ary and Traction engineer's local numbers does not appear, on his list, to their environment and to each the name of one well-known labor other. You must graduate from the 'You never threw any bricks at Thus the conference is so le school of biology into the school of signed that the employers and their anthropology, then into sociology and interest will always be in control.

Can the members of this conference of biology you have but opened the agree on anything? There is Judge door to the labyrinth of existance.

"What runs the machinery of thot?" was the engineer's counter

f his corporation.

by light, heat, sound, touch, smell. dare say that you can give a better John D. Rockefeller, Jr., another of These nerve stimuli being modified in definition right now than eight out the President's appointees expects their affect upon the brain by the to inherit, from his father something like a billion dollars in the form of railroads refineries, banks, traction systems and manufacturing establishments. He speaks for the monopoly of the record of previous expects their affect upon the brain by the few every ten socialists. You' have defined for me the law of economic determinism, saying that man as a whole acts from the view point of systems and manufacturing establishments. He speaks for the monopoly property of the record of previous expects.

you are working for a rich man; you you don't we quit." If our employer representing the radical elements of are both affected by the weather in hires a man who is not affiliated with the American Labor Movement in any a similar way that is, if the conditus, who does nothing in an organized particular — should agree; imagine ation of the weather is not extreme. In way to get better conditions, then remeeting of these unmeetable minds. a blizzard he can afford a warm coat resent it. We must resent it or the Upon what can they agree?

2. They might agree to heavier nights a luxury. You on the other taxes on capital and lighter taxes on the consumer. Will they?

3. They might agree to give labor the storm, homeless, cursing the lour that you were born. You see, the bor is a weapon in the cass struggle. a share in the management of industry, after the plan now operating in England. Will they?

They might agree to give lapor door that you were born. Lou see, the lour is a weapon in the class strategy, after the plan now operating in becomes clear that your environment affects you according to your economic affects you according to your economic being an employer of labor hated not be a constant.

way. A crop failure throws you out of on the part of his workers for a a job which forces you as a migratory larger share of the products of their worker, to further migration, or to toil." erime due to your not being able to and the establishment of industrial make an honest living, when there control by the workers. Will they? ble to pay his mortgage loses his farm. the key by which it can be solved. The banker becomes richer by for-eclosing the mortgage he holds on the the employer and the employed you working class. They make your lot When ever you see any marked change

your economic position is a part of ATTEND WORKERS' UNIVERSITY.

sidential appointees to the coming conference, are forbidden by the root-principles of the system which rerve stimulation. I might say, man they represent to do any one of these thinks in accordance with what he "Yes," answered George, "Your

demanded Jack.

"Your father is a religious man you tell me''.
''Yes.''

"He also lends money on interest to his brethern?", "Yes."

"Now supposing his church would hire a parson who would make it his business to preach that the taking

"What would he do?"

"He would have the preacher fired or withdraw from the church. In fact I know that he would have the precher fired, because the elders and deacons are all money lenders, and

"But supposing the parsons proved his position by the Book! And you tell me your father believes in the Book, then what?''

"Dad would find an interpetation of scripture in harmony with his ecoomic practices, and would hire a members of the State Executive Compreacher who would preach his inter- mittee has been tabulated, resulting retation and nothing else. I see the in the election of Jno J. Hoge of whole thing. The law of economic Bellaire, Geo Bundy of Warren, M. leterminism governs man's conduct. A. Toohey of Toledo, and Frank R. Hal might say it, so that it would be milton of Piqua. Tom Clifford, Lotta easier to understand by calling it Burke and Marguerite Prevey were simply, self interest."

"Now I want you to observe human farther back you will find the pres- Socialist.

his friends to move the obdurate
Shylock, says, resignedly, "You may as well do anything most hard"—bid the trees be silent in the storm, or "I have been thinking and think" employers to organize their chambers the trees be silent in the storm, or the tides to stand still, or the bereaved mother to cease her mourning. President Wilson is adding another to Shakespeare's list of 'most hard' enterprises by his effort to bring capital and labor together at his Washington Conference, where forty-four men have assembled (in the President's phrase) 'for the purious of the conference in unravelling my problems.' "I have been thinking and think employers to organize their chambers

bodies of organized labor and organized employers." The representatives of the public were named by Mr. Wilson; the representatives of the workers and of big business were named by the recognized labor and business organizations. The President appointed 11 delegates, and the business interests appointed 11 delegates. The President packed the conference against labor by selecting, as located the conference of the content of these men mentioned that in human sofuration in human sofuration.

The representatives of the wish the volution in human sofuration in human sofuration in human sofuration.

"The time is coming when even the unskilled will have to be organized than vicinity of the wink labor to be organized association of political, industrial and financial Barons, single handed. It will have to be organized than vicinity of the will have to be organized to be obtained with the wish the vicinity of the will have to be or

because they didn't belong to your bunch?' "No, I was never elected on an ntertainment committee."

'Is Herman a union man, too? questioned Jack. "Yes, he's a member of the machin

"Why do the unions 'pul off' such terrible things, such as stopping peop-le who want to make an honest liv-

not?" was the engineer's counter George looked upon the boy with a mingling of amusement and pity in his eyes. "We have taught you what that is a result of nerve stimulation the class struggle is theoretically. I periences that have happened in the life of the individual, or perhaps in the life of the race to which he belongs."

All interests of the lelass struggle you are not yet able to apply it to control the life of the race to which he belongs."

want to join a labor union if not for want to join a labor union if not for "Now George you must admit that the environment of all people is practically the same. How then can you of men, whose function it is to buy argue that there are two thot modes my labor power. In order to deal with in the world?" Jack asked of the them to the best advantage, we approach them as organized workers. We

Suppose the impossible. I m a g i n e that these conferees—the majority of them representing capital in one deorge answered. "Let me illustrate: ditions under which to work. And if

Upon what can they agree? and a comfortable car when he is out self interest of the employing group profits. Will they?

being an employer of labor hated no-Again I might illustrate it in this thing so much as an organized demand "Always remember Jack, whenever

farmers and forcing them into the will find that it is over surplus value. in the relation of employer and the result of organized effort. And all organized effort is a manifestation of

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York. 21st. Geo. R. Kirkpatrick of New York.

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The first meeting of the new Comactions and notice that no matter how mittee was called for last Saturday they veil their acts under cloaks of and Sunday at State Headquarters. A piety, patriotism, altruism or what not, I full report of this meeting will appear somwhere either close at hand or in next weeks' issue of The Ohio

to use their only weapon to fight the coal kaisers. He does not know that the "poor people" he seems to worry about getting cold if the strike ties up the mines are cold now because the coal dealers have raised State ..... he does not know how very well. bes for us just because he happens His mental machinery is running along just as smoothly as it ever to be our "mother."

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### Democracy at Home.

One might surmitr that a four years war, fought and won for democracy, might in all decency have some tangible evidence of its winnings on hand to show any unbeliveing who might have doubts thereof. One might even ,S. L .- Portsmouth: The Communist expect President Wilson, by some legerdemain of words and phrases to Sometimes this party claims 50.000 point out a few unquestionable evidences of the facts of democracy in the members, sometimes 45.000, at other every day lives of the common herd, who up to a short time since hung upon his words as the inspired sentences of mankind's Savior.

conquests of the forces of autocracy. Quite the contrary. We are learning for a period of three or four months. principles across. We always had an that winning a thing and having it are two entirely different propositions. Since the war for democracy was won there has been far more autocracy in Federation which affiliated with the than before. As a matter of fact a period of reaction has seized the the powers that be are marshalling every resource against the putting into practice of the principles for which millions died and billions were spent. The socialist press has been well nigh destroyed. Free speech is a memory. The Constitution, so far as the workers of this

Men and women have been murdered in the towns of and is supporting the Soviet Bureau. done except to cover the destroyers of life and liberty with a coat of

And now comes the coal strike bearing upon its heels more evidence of the brand of democracy which Wilson brought back from Paris and locked about the necks of American workers. President Wilson declares that the miners have violated the law by striking. He thus makes them out to be officials of that party the places they criminals, law breakers. One cannot believe that he believes his own statements. He seeks merely to use the capitalist courts to enslave the workers and to force them into abject slavery to the coal barons. With all his fine words for labor, his actions belie every one of them. By his action in declaring the coal miners to be outlaws, he brands himself an arch-autocrat and enemy of labor. Let him be known for what he is. Wilson's brand of democracy is proving the undoing of labor. The workers need no Saviors. They can and must save themselves. Confidence placed in others than the workers is confidence mis-placed.

### Taking a Nation's Measure

By what measure shall a nation be judged? The generally accepted standard to-day is that of commercial standing-and battle ships and armmament to protect it. It is a token of the times and a measure of the values set upon human endeavor. We live in a commercial age, hence all sale, published officially by the party. things commercial are hallowed. A brilliant halo resides god, the rays from which stretch out in all directions especially toward heathen and undevelopment lands, where trade possibilities are especially liable of development.

Let us take a glance at the conditions in which our school-teachers live while ministering to the moral, mental and physical needs of the nation's children. What are their services valued at in the coin of the realm? And don't forget to compare the 'dollars' received with what they will buy in the shoe, food, clothing, and other markets which the teacher must patronize in order to keep respectable appearing and morally and mentally balanced to be able to do justice to OUR children.

The wages of Cleveland's school teachers afford a shining example and measure of one of America's greatost cities. The yearly wage averages about \$75 a month. What will \$75 buy-it will buy almost half enough for a family to live upon. Of course it does not afford vacations in the hot summers nor an overdose of refinements and nothing for a rainy day. Many teachers are bread winners for families. While giving the best that is in them in the prime of their lives to society, the child and the teacher, they are bereft of opportunities to develop themselves in accordance with the demands WE make upon them.

The plea is made that there is no money to pay higher salaries. But there is plenty of money for every conceivable kind of "drive" that can be imagined. The wages paid school teachers are an indictment of present day civilization. Commercialism rules. Our teachers, our children and posterity are mortgaged to maintain its rule. Measured by the value set upon education and the treatment of our children. America stands low in the scale of real civilization

#### ' APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP in the COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA LEAGUE

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each week answer questions regarding the Socialist Party, the Communist Party and the Communist Labor Party, their principles, tactics and form of organ-ization. Are you in need of information? Write us.

J. B - Akron: The Communist La oor Party has chartered state organizations in New York, California, Wa-Oregon, Kansas, Missouri, Illionis, Minnesota, Rhode Island and Ohio. Charters will shortly be issued to New Jersey and Penusylvania. States having three hundred or more members can be chartered. The largest locals in Florida, Colorado, Utah Arkansas, and other states have affil liated but many of these states did not have a total of 300 members even when affiliated with the Socialist Party. Organization wark is going forward in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Marvland, Delaware.

> Party's claims as to membership vary times 55.000 and as high as 65.000. The membership of any organization is not based upon the random claims of some of its enthusiastic supporters.

A. K .-- Minneapolis: The Russian Communist Party has for months bitterly attacked the Soviet Bureau which is representing Soviet Russia in this country. These attacks led to a split in the Russian Federation, and the branches which withdrew from this federation or were expelled, have organized a new federation, affiliated with the Communist Labor Party. The Communist Labor Party Russian Federation is working in harmony with

G. W.— Cincinnati: We have direct information from a member of the communist Party that deals were made between the Communist Party Russian Federation and Ferguson and Fraina, several weeks before the ommunist convention convened, which gave many of the present national

L. N. E .- Terre Haute: The Socialist Party convention, by a vote of about three to one, refused to endorse the Third International, that formed at Moscow. Thereupon a minority of the delegates insisted that a rereferendum, together with the resolution calling for another new inter- services. national. These referendums are now before the Socialist Party membership.

O. McR. Davenport: The Communist Lahor Party will here after have had a slackering effect upon the officially publish "The Class Strug Press Fund contributions but the reagle" monthly. It will also officially publish the "Voice of Labor" and Communist Labor", each bi-weekly and alternatingly. Some of the best pamphlets and books are already on

financially; its membership now but numbers thousands werere it had These centrist locals are remaining inthem printing their own dues stamps.

Communist Labor Party by the Communist Party, refusing to enter into Communist Labor Party by the Communist Party, refusing to enter into unity conference, was submitted to the communist Party conference, was submitted to the minds for the necessity of it is Communist Party central executive committee of fitten, and the vote stood 9 to 5 in favor of its adoption. Whether the five who voted against the answer were for a unity conference

M. L. O .- Detroit: It was C. E. Ru- F. H. Hagerman, Cincinnati, O. thenberg who proposed the resolution Henry Beck, E. Liverpol, O. 2.00 at a delegate meeting of Cleveland Edward Lawson, Sugar Grove Pa. 1.00 comrades, asking that a state con- T. F. Pendergrass, Roswell, N. Mex 2.00 vention be held of Communist, Com- F. J. Underhill, Cincinnati, munist Labor and Socialist Party Mrs. J. W. Liken, E. Radford, locals jointly, to decide the disposition Robert W. Bryan, Akron, O. of the state property. The Communist E. D. Orr, Marion, O. Labor Party is absolutely opposed to Cutarelli Pietro, Hamilton, O. meeting in joint convention with any Ignatz Lurwig, Hamilton, O. Socialist Party locals for any purpose A. E. Weyandt, Leesville, O.

filiate the Communist Party with the A. Workingman, Cincinnati, O. Third International. Your information M. L. Springer, Jeromesville, O. that some of the national officials of the C. P. opposed to this trip by Fraina is correct.

A. M .- Cleveland: Unity is being demanded by an ever greater number of Communist Party locals. It is only the national officials of the Communist Payty who stand in the way of unity. The demand for unity can best be strengthened by joining the Communist Labor Party, for it has officially, in convention, adopted a standing offer of unity with the C. P. or any other revolutionary group.

remain clear of vision you must overlook personal attacks at unessential criticism. The Communist Party only disoless attacks upon the Communist La-

R. T .- Toledo: Lou are correct. Be fore the national left wing conference, Fraina and the Russian Federation called the Michigan Socialist mensheviks. After the national left wing conference, the bolting Michigan Federation group called Fraina and his group mensheviks. And Fraina and his group, thru the Revolutionary Age, called the Michigan-Russian Federation combination mensheviki. Then a merger was shevik group must exist, therefore formed between these two groups the merger now calls the C. L. P. a suddently, brightly and beneficently.

#### The Communist A Letter To The Entercollegiate Socialist Soci-Party Scolds You

The Communist Party, thru its of ficial organ, scolds all locals that have entered municipal campaigns this fall. The national secretary of the Communist Party continues his attacks upon locals which have taken part n the Ohio municipal campaigns. Wherever he speaks, be it Chicago or Boston one of his main themes is "the menshevism of Ohio locals that entered and fought in the municipal

This means that he as well as the official organ of the Communist Party has attacked Locals Toledo, Akron Piqua, Massillon, Hamilton, other Ohio locals that have had nicipal candidates in the field

The argument made by the Com munist Party and its national officials is that under no circumstances should Ohio locals have conducted municipa campaigns under the name of the Socialist Party. Extenuating circumstances cut no ice with the Communist Party officials. That the campaigns were made upon a strict communist ference.

Principles did not count. The So cialist Party name was anathema -- and this despite the fact that the bolshevists of Russia conducted camp dea that names meant nothing and everything is in a name.

But what do you think of this? Ohio locals entering the municipal campaign upon communist platforms are compromisers, but the national secretary of the Communist Party thinks it ALL RIGHT to ask locals that have rejoined the reactionary Socialist Party to enter a state convention with Labor cahoots with compromising Socialist vince Mr. Feirs of that fact. Party locals but its all wrong to make an uncompromising campaign. Some consistency!

oring forth strange contradictions. But we are glad that the Communist Labor Party and seen clearly from the first, has not entered useless nor pitter discussions about non-essentials, has not resorted to foolish attacks apon comrades and locals. It is because of this that the Communist Labor Party has steadily gath-

It is the party which will gain the

#### THE, PRESS FUND IS GROWING.

Recent conditions withen the Party sons for this are rapidly passing. We expect a rapid rise in interest in the

an order for a new press, but we are dependent of either party, many of attempting to overcome this difficulty. We will make the best possible barg-E. M.— Boston: The letter sent the quickly as it is possible to do so. growing.

Here are recent contributions Chas Flodding, Leetonis, O. K. W. Boring Wellsville, O. Fred Brueckner, Laramie, Wyo. 3.00 5.00 Jas Dartnall, Norwood, O. J. H. Dickson, Springfield, O. A. W.— Cleveland: Yes, Fraina espires to make a trip to Russia to
visit Lenine and Trotsky and to afUlary of the Cleveland of the Country 1.00 John Royer, Hartville, O. Nathaniel Royer, Hartville, O. Ephriam Royer, Hartville, O. A. C. Waltenbaugh, Hartville, O. Geo. H. Wike, Canton, O. Dr. W. Van Nette, Clyde, O.

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hangers, 40 cents; printers, 28 ticism. The Communist Party only dis-rupts its own organization in its sens-cless attacks upon the Communist Lo

> The doctors of Dundalk, Ireland, went on strike for a minimum salary of \$35 weekly for all public services. In the meantime people cannot afford to die decently in that town.

and lo and behold, they at once be came 100 percent bolshevik. It being written in the heavens that a menwhich called each other mensheviks, menshevik organization.

# Editor.

express my opinions on the condition fore. of trade-unionism as I see it, through the columns of your paper which I think ligent interest in Socialism among col-

"Weakness of Labor-Unionism."

At the Round-table Conference, Lainability to cope with the Capitalist are reorganizing, and new ones being class, when their resolution providing for recognition of the principle of Collective Barganing was turned down.

Paul Feiss of Cleveland, big employer, and member of the public group then, if not more so.

being taken away from them, and cessary is the publication of a monthly principles ewerything. The Communist they are powerless, and helpless, un magazine, "The Socialist Review. Party officials reverse this axion, 1t able to protect themselves against the Originally the organization issued seems. Principles mean nothing and all powerfull capitalists class, which is "The Intercollegiate Socialist" crushing them to pieces.

It is high time that Union-men all over the country should wake up to latest developments adequately without the fact that what they need now is a monthly. not conferences and arguments with the capitalist but a good strong provide not only its members, but Party to enter a state convention with Labor Party, and to rally to the him, where undoubtedly he intends to standard of the party as one man, get use them to "capture" the property the reins of Government in their of the state office, and its functioning own control, and then they will be organs. It's ALL RIGHT to go into up to date, and will be able to con-

Labor then will be in a position to legislate and make laws for their own We agree that party controversies protection. But as it is today, all law is for the capitalist class. Capital controls both the old political parties, and when Union men go to the polls and vote for either one, he votes against his own Organization and Inion Principles, and the capitalist cnow this and laughs at the Ignorance

of the Working-man.
The great need of the working-man
is to educate himself in regard to his own condition, and the cause, of the delegates insisted that a resolution, conditionally endorsing the confidence of all revolutionary comparty that will remove the cause.

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The later party makes a Land confidence of all revolutionary comparty that will remove the cause. get busy and help to organize a Labor comrades will eventually enlist their that glad day of the Emancipation for the Wage-slave. Then and not untill then will come

#### Yours respect. 398 E. Livingston, Av. Columbus, To.

Note by Editor, While agreeing with the above, that all workers must matter of securing in up to date unite in one strong political Party for printing equipment for the Party in the purpose of emancipating them-Ohio and The Ohio Socialist very soon. selves, we wish to emphasize the last Comrades realize that the question Paragraph in the comrade's letter. We of propaganda is paramount to all else are in the educational period of the on remain affiliated with the continuation of our propaganda and mate the workers in the nature of and that the best assurance of a revelution. The great need is to ed-Socialist Party become part of a corpse. The Socialist Party is wrecked financially; its membership now but numbers thousands werere it had numbers thousands werere it had tens of thousands before. Even locals that join neither the C. P. or C. L. P., many in number will not never the control of the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled a tremenduous rate. Manufacturers by "Lahor Parties" formed by reactions in number will not never the control of the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled a tremenduous rate. Manufacturers by "Lahor Parties" formed by reactions in number will not never the control of the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled a tremenduous rate. Manufacturers by "Lahor Parties" formed by reactions in the publishing business has boomed at will guarantee him againt being gulled a tremenduous rate. Manufacturers by "Lahor Parties" formed by reactions of the control of many in number, will not pay dues any longer to the Socialist Party. Several months will be required to fill cess of formation at the present time. A worker's political party without a revolutionary programe and goal can be nothing but a means of enslay-

> The Communist Labor Party is party of workers whose aim is not merely the mitigation of the conditions of lie wage-slave's existence, but intends to overthrow and destroy the

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world.

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The blind girl saw clearly enough the cents: to bricklevers 54 and the control of the property of the property of the whirlwind.

many more women are employed than men, and their pay varies from 11 cents per day, the latter figure being the highest paid.

Lator is not a minority. It is a vast majority That third, much-pitied group talled "the public" is largely Lator, unorganized for the most part but containing all the potential.

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he should vote And nobody worried when he was the Goat.

They told him how the land the moisture would keep he plowed this same land about

eight inches deep,
And when he should harvest and when he should sow. If much larger crops he wanted to

He's been told how to pack and how he should plow; They've told of the profits of milking a cow

Of the alluring farm each has some thing to say—
Of the song of the hen the smell of the hav.

The've told of the crops the farmer should sow And also the pork and the beef he should grow; They pictured the future to the farmer so bright -He hardly took time to sleep ve

night. No wonder the wrinkles grow deep in his brow. For they milked the farmer while he

milked the cow, And for politics he had no time to sparewonder the hayeeds hang thick is

his hair!

We hereby announce that our Local Oh farmer, so long as you mortgage your days, And let wily grafters control what you

The Communist Labor Party is the Vational group the Local decided to Just that long you'll be in the fiteers' care affiliate with by a vote taken on And the hayseeds be never comed This step puts on every member from your hair!

#### LIBERTY

special To all in vain will timorous ones essay branches to be organized in the workshops of the nation. The Organiz- For Freedom is its own eternal law; ation in the shops are to become the It makes its own conditions, and in storm

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It'is the duty of every Comrade to Nor doubt it when in mad, disjointed assist in the realization of this plan times It shakes the torch of terror, and its We herewith request all willing to Shrills o'er the quaking earth, and in

the flame Organization Committee of the Local. Of riot and war we see its awful form Yours for Cooperation, the Rise by the scaffold, where the crimson axe Rings down its grooves the knell of

shuddering kings. Forever in thine eyes, O Liberty, Shines that high light whereby the world is saved.

tory has come to light here. It all And though thou slay us, we will trust

## REPORT OF THE BULLITT MISSION TO RUSSIA.

We reprint below the report of William C. Bullit, special representative of the United States to Russia in February 1919. This report was first made public in Mr. Bullit's statement before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, September 12, 1919. In spite of this report, the truth of which can not be refuted, the President's undeclared war against the working-class government of Soviet Russia continues. The unofficial blockade still exists, millions of peace-loving Russians are starving for lack of the food this blockade is keeping out of

#### I. REPORT OF WILLIAM C. BULLITT

#### Economic Situation

Russia today is in a condition of acute economic distress. The blockade by land and sea is the cause of this distress and lack of the essentials of transportation is its gravest symptom. Only one-fourth of the locomotives which ran on Russian lines before the war are now available for use. Furthemore, Soviet Russia is cut off entirely from all supplies of coal and gasoline. In consequence, transportation by all steam and electric vehicles is greatly hampered; and transportation by automobile and by the fleet of gasoline-using Volga steamers and canal boats is

As a result of these hindrances to transportation it is possible to bring from the grain centers to Moscow only twenty-five carloads of food a day, instead of the one hundred carloads which are essen tial and to Petrograd only fifteen carloads, instead of the essential fifty. In consequence, every man, woman, and child in Moscow and Petrograd is suffering from slow starvation.

Mortality is particularly high among new-born children whose mothers cannot suckle them, among newly-delivered mothers, and among the aged. The entire population, in addition, is exceptionally susceptible to disease; and a slight illness is apt to result fatally because of the total lack of medicines. Typhoid, typhus, and smalpox are epidemic in both Petrograd and Moscow.

Industry, except the production of munitions of war, is largely at a standstill. Nearly all means of transport which are not employed in carrying food are used to supply the army, and there is scarcely any surplus transport to carry materials essential to normal industry. Furthemore, the army has absorbed the best executive brains and physical vigor of the nation. In addition, Soviet Russia is cut off from most of its sources of iron and of cotton. Only the flax, hemp, wood, and lumber industries have an

adequate supply of raw material.

On the other hand, such essentials of economic life as are available are being utilized to the utmost by the Soviet Government. Such trains as there are, on time. The distribution of food is well controlled. Many industrial experts of the old regime are again managing their plants and sabotage by such managers has coased. Loafing by the workmen during work hours has been overcome.

#### Social Conditions

The destructive phase of the revolution is over and all the energy of the Government is turned to constructive work. The terror has ceased. All power of judgment has been taken away from the extraordinary commission for suppression of the counterrevolution, which now merely accuses suspect counterrevelutionaries, who are tried by the regular, establiched, legal tribunals. Executions are extremely rare. Good order has been established. The streets are safe. Shooting has ceased. There are few robberies. Prostitution has disappeared from sight. Family life has been unchanged by the revolution, the canard in regard to "nationalization of women" notwith-

The theatres, open, and ballet are performing as in pears. Thousands of new schools have been opened in all parts of Russia, and the Soviet Government seems to have done more for the education of the Russian people in a year and a half than ezardom did in fifty years.

#### Political Situation

The Soviet form of government is firmly established. Perhaps the most striking fact in Russia tolay is the general support which is given the government by the people in spite of their starvation. Indeed, the people lay the blame for their distress wholly on the blockade and on the governments which maintain it. The Soviet form of government seems to have become to the Russian people the symbol of their revolution. Unquestionable it is a form of government which lends itself to gross abuse and tyrancy, but it meets the demand of the moment in Russia, and it has acquired so great a hold on the imagination of the comon people that the women are ready to starve and the young men to die for it. position of the communist party (formerly Bolsheviki) is also very strong. Blockade and intervention have caused the chief opposition parties, the right social revolutionaries and the mensheviki, to give temperary support to the communists. These opposition parties have both made formal statements against the blockade, intervention, and the support of Antisoviet governments by the allied and associated governments. Their leaders, Volsky and Martov, are most vigorous in their demands for the immediate raising of the blockade and peace. Indeed, the only penderable opposition to the

communists today comes from more radical parties --

These parties in published statements, call the com-munists, and particularly Lenin and Tchitcherin, the paid bourgeois gendarmers of the Entente. They attack the communists because the communists have encouraged scientists, engineers, and industrial experts of the bourgeois class to take important posts under the Soviet Government at high pay. They rage against the employment of bourgeois officers in the army and against the offorts of the communists to obtain peace. They demand the immediate mes-sacre of all the boargeusie and an immediate declaration of wa: on all nonrevolutionary governments. They argue that the Entente Governments should be

forced to intervene more deeply in Lussia, asserting

that such action would surely provoke the proletariat of all European countries to immediate revolution.

the left social revolutionaries and the anarchists

Within the communist party itself there is distinct division of opinion in regard to foreign policy but this disagreement has not developed personal hostility or open breach in the ranks of the party. Trotski, the generals, and many theorists elieve the red army should go forward everywhere until more vigorous intervention by the Entente is provoked, which they, too, count upon to bring revolution in France and England. Their attitude is not a little colored by pride in the spirited young army. Lenin, Tchitcherin, and the bulk of the communist party, on the other hand, insist that the essential problem at present is to save the proletariat of Russia, in particular, and the proletariat of Europe, in general, from starvation, and assert that it will benefit the revolution but little to conquer all Europe if the Government of the United States replies by starving all Europe. They advocate, therefore, the conciliation of the United States even at the cost of compromising with many of the Principles they hold most dear. And Lenin's prestige in Russia at present is so overwhelming that the Trotski

group is forced reluctantly to follow him, Lenin, indeed, as a practical matter, stands well to the right in the existing political life of Russia. He recognizes the undesirability, from the Socialist viewpoint, of the compromises he feels compelled to make; but he is ready to make the compromises. Among the more notable concessions he has already made are: The abandonment of his plan to nation alize the land and the adoption of the policy of dividing it among the peasants, the establishment of savings banks paying 3 per cent. interest, the decision to pay all fereign debts, and the decision to give concessions if that shall prove to be necessary to obtain credit aproad.

In a word, Lenin feels compelled to retreat from his theoretical position all along the line. He is ready to meet the western Governments half way.

#### Peace Proposals

Lenin seized upon the opportunity presented by trip of investigation to make a definite statement of the position of the Soviet Government. He was opposed by Trotski and the generals, but without much difficulty got the support of the majority of the executive council, and the statement of the position of the soviet government which was handed to me was finally adopted unanimously.

My discussion of these proposals with the leaders the Soviet Government was so detailed that I feel sure of my ground in saying that it does not represent the minimum terms of the soviet government, and that I can point out in dedail wherein it may be modified without making it unacceptable to the soviet government. For example, the clause under article 5 - "and to their own nationals who have been or may be prosecuted for giving help to Soviet Russia" — is certainly not of vital importance. And the clause under article 4, in regard to admission of citizens of the soviet republics of Rus sia into the allied and associated countries, may certainly be changed in such a way as to reserve all necessary rights to control such immigration to the allied and associated countries, and to confine it persons who come on legitimate and necessary business, and to exclude definitely all possibility it an influx of propagandists.

#### 61 Conclusions.

The following conclusions are respectfully submitted.

can be set up in Russia today except by foreign bayonets, and any governments so set up will fall the moment such support is withdrawn. The Lenin wing of the communist party is today as moderate as any socialist government which can control Rus-

2. No real peace can be established in Furope or the world until peace is made with the revolution. This proposal of the Soviet Government presents an opportunity to make peace with the revolution on just and reasonable basis - perhaps a unique op-

3. If the blockade is lifted and supplies begin . to be delivered regularly to soviet Russia, a more powerful hold over the Russian people established than that given by the blockade itself—the held given by fear that this delivery of supplies may be stopped. Futhemore, the parties which oppose the communists in principle but are supporting hem at present will be able to begin to fight against

4. It is, therefore, respectfully recommended that a proposal following the general lines of the

suggestion of the Soviet Government should be made at the earliest possible moment, such changes being made, particularly in article 4 and article 5, as will make the proposal acceptable to conservative opinion in the allied and associated countries.

Very respectfully sumitted, WILLIAM C. BULLITT

#### APPENDIX

Transport

Locomotives .- Before the war Russia had 22.000 locomotives. Destruction by war and ordinary wear and tear have reduced the number of locomotives in good order to 5.500. Russia is entirely cut off from supplies of spare parts and materials for rapair, facilities for the manufacture of which do not exist in Russia. And the Soviet Government is able only with the greatest difficulty to keep in

running order the few locomotives at its disposal.

Coal.— Soviet Russia is entirely cut off from empplies of coal. Kolchak holds the Perm mining district, although Soviet troops are now on the eage of it. Denikin still holds the larger part of the Innet: coal district and has destroyed the mines in he portion of the district which he has evacuated. a result of this, locomotives, electrical power plants, etc., must be fed with wood, which is enormexpensive and laborious and comparatively inerfectual.

Glasoline. There is a total lack of gasoline, the to the British occupation of Baku few auto mobiles in the cities which are kept running for vital bovernment business are fed with substitute mixtwhich causes them to break down with great frequency and to miss continually. Almost the entire rlest on the great inland waterway system of Russia as propelled by gasoline. As a result the Volga and the cenals, which are so vital a part of Russia's system of transportation, are useless.

#### Food

Everyone is hungry in Moscow and Petrograd, including the people's commissaries themselves. The daily ration of Lenin and the other commissaries is the same as that of a soldier in the army or of a workings at hard labor. In the hotel which is reserved for Government officials the menu is the following: Breakfast — A quarter to half a pound of black bread, which must last all day, and tea without sugar. Dinner -- A good soup, a small piece of fish, for which occasionally a diminutive piece of meat is substituted, a vegetable, either a potato or a bit of calbage, more tea without sugar. Supper — What remains of the morning ration of bread and more ten without sugar.

Occasionally sugar, butter, and chickens slip through from the Ukraine and are sold secretly at atreeious prices - butter, for example, at 240 roubles Whenever the Government is able to get its hands on any such "luxuries" it turns them ever to the schools, where an attempt is made to give every child a good dinner every day.

The rood situation has been slightly improved by the rejoining of Ukraine to Great Russia, for food is relatively plentiful in the south: but no great improvement in the situation is possible because of the

#### Managment

Such supplies as are available in Soviet Russia are being utilized with considerable skill. For example, in spite of the necessity of firing with wood, the Moscow-Petrograd express keep up to its sciedule, and on both occasions when I made the trip it took but thirteen hours, compared to the tyelve hours of prewar days.

The food control works well, so frat there is abundance alongside of famine. Powerful and

The Soviet government has made great efforts to persuale industrial managers and technical experts of the old regime to enter its service. Many ery priminent men have done so. And the Soviet Government pays them as high as \$45.000 a year for their services, although Lenin gets but \$1.800 a ica. This very anomalous situation arises from the principle that any believing communist must adhere to the scale of wages established by the government, 1. No government save a socialist government but if the government considers it necessary to have the assistance of any anti-communist, it is permitted

to pay him as much as he demands.

All meetings of workmen during work hours have been prohibited, with the result that the bafing which was so fatal during the Kerensky restored in the factories as in the army,

#### Social Conditions

period of its power the extraordinary commission for the suppression of the Aerror .- The red terror is over. During the the suppression of the couter revolution, which wars the instrument of the terror, executed 4500 persons in Petrograd, 500 in Moscow, and 3.000 in the remainder of the country- 5.000 in all Rus-These figures agree with those which were brought back from Russia by Major Wardwell, and inas much as I have checked them from Soviet, anti-Soviet, and neutral sources. I believe them to be apreximately correct. It is worthy of note in this connection that in the white terror in southern Finland zione, according to official figures, General

Mannerheim executed without trial 12,000 working men and women.

Order .- One feels as safe in the streets of Petrograd and Moscow as in the streets of Paris or New York. On the other hand, the streets of these cities are dismal, because of the closing of retail shops whose functions are now concentrated in a few large nationalized "department stores." Petrograd, furthermore, has been deserted by half its population; But Moscow teems with twice the numher of inhabitants it contaned before the war. The only noticeable difference in the theatres, operaand ballet is that they are now run under the direction of the department of education, which prefers classics and sees to it that working men and women and chidren are given an opportunity to attend the performances and that they are instructed beforehand the significance and beauties of the productions.

Morals.— Prostitutes have disappeared from sight, the economic reasons for their carrer having cessed to exist. Family life has been absolutely unchanged by the revolution. I have never heard more genuinely mirthful laughter than when I told Tchitcherin, and Litvinov that much of the world believed that women had been "nationalized." This lie is so widly fantastic that they will not even take the trouble to deny it. Respect for womanhood was never greater than in Russia today. Indeed, the day I reached Petrograd was a holiday in honor of wives and mothers.

Education .- The achievements of the department education under Lunacharsky have been very gerat. Not only have all the Russian classes been reprinted in editions of three and five million copies and sold at a low price to the people, but thousands of new schools for men, women, and children have been opened in all parts of Russia. Furthermore, workingmen's and soldiers' clubs have been organized in many of the palaces of yesteryear, where the people are instructed by means of moving pictures and lectures. In the art galleries one meets classes of working men and women being instructed in the the pictures. The children's schools have been entirely reorganized, and an attempt is being made to give every child a good dinner at school every lay. Furthemore, very remarkable schools have been opened for defective and over-nervous children. On the theory that genius and insanity are closely allied, these children are taught from the first to compose music, paint pictures, sculpt and write postry, and it is asserted that some very valuable result have been cenieved, not only in the way of productions but also in the way of restoring the nervous systems of the children.

#### Morale

The belief of the convinced communists in their cause is almost religious. Never in any religious service have I seen higher emotional unity than prevailed at the meeting of the Petrograd Soviet n celebration of the foundation of the Third Socialist Internationale. The remark of one young man to me when I questioned him in regard to his starved appearance is characteristic. He replied very simply: "I am ready to give another year of starvation to our revolution."

#### Statements of Leaders of Opposition Parties

The following statement was made to me by

Volsky, leader of the right social revolutionaries,

the largest opposition party:
 "Intervention of any kind will prolong the regime of the Bolsheviki by compelling us, like ail honorable Russians, to drop opposition and rally round the soviet government in defense of the revelution. With regard to help to individual groups or governments fighting against soviet Russia, we see no difference between such intervention and the ending of troops. If the allies come to an agreement with the societ government, somer or later the peasant masses will make their will felt and they are alike against the bourgeoise and the Bolsheviki.
"If by any chance Kolchak and Denikin were

to win, they would have to kill in tens of thousands where the Bolsheviki have had to kill in hundreds and the result would be the complete ruin and collapse of Russia into anarchy. Has not the Ukraine been enough to teach the allies that occupation by non-Bolshevik troops merely turns into Bolsheviki those of the population who were not Bolsheviki before? It is clear to us that the Bolsheviki are really fighting against bourgeois dictatorship. We are. prepared to help them sible way.

"Grandmother Ekaterina Constantinovna Bresh kovskaya has no sort of authority, either from the assembly of members of the all Russian constituent assembly or from the party of social revolutionaries. ller utterances in America, if she is preaching intervention, represent her personal opinions which are categorically repudiated by the party of social re-volutionaries, which has decisively expressed itself against the permissibility of intervention, direct or

Volsky signed this latter statement: "V. Volsky, late president of the assembly of members of the

the need of the army overwhelm all efforts at

meeting the needs of social and economic reconstruc-

tion. Agreement with the soviet government would

ail Russian constituent assembly.' Martov, leader of the Menshiviki, stated: "The denshiviki are against every form of intervention, direct or indirect, because by providing the incentive to militarization it is bound to caphasize the least desirable qualities of the revolution. Further,

lessen the tension of defense and would unmuzzle the opposition, who, while the soviet government is attacked, are prepared to help in its defense, while eserving until peace their efforts to alter the Bol-

shevil: regime. "The forces that would support intervention must dominated by those of extreme reaction because ail but the reactionaries are prepared temporarily to sink their differences with the Bolsheviki in or-

der to defend the revolution as a whole." Martov finally expressed himself as convinced given peace, itself and the needs of the country will bring about the changes he desires.

#### Army

The soviet army now numbers between 1.000.000 and 1,200.000 troops of the line. Nearly all these soldiers are young men between the ages of 17 and 27. The morale of regiments varies greatly. The convinced communists, who compose the bulk of the army, fight with crusading enthusiasm. Other regiments, composed of patriots but noncommunists, are less spirited; other regiments, composed of men who have entered the army for the slightly higher broad ration are distinctly untrustworthy. Great numbers of officers of the old army are occupying important executive posts in the administration of the new army, but are under control of convinced communist supervisers. Nearly all the lower grade officers of the army are workmen who have displayed courage in the ranks and have been trained in special officer schools. Discipline has been restored, and on the whole the spirit of the army appears to be very high, particularly since its recent successes. The soldiers no longer have the beaten dog-like look which distinguished them under the Czar, but carry themselves like freemen, and curiously like Americans. They are popular with the people.

I witnessed a review of 15.000 troops in Petrograd. The men marched well and their equipment of shoes, uniforms, rifles, and machine guns and light artilery was excellent. On the other hand, they had no big guns, no aeroplanes, no gas shells, no liquid fire, nor indeed, any of the more refined instruments

The testimony was universal that recruiting for the army is easiest in the districts which having once lived under the soviet were overrun by antisoviet forces and then reoccupied by the Red Army. Trotsky is enormously pround of the army he has created, but it is noteworthy that even he is ready to disband the army at once if peace can obtained in order that all the brains and energy it contains may be turned to restoring the normal life of the country.

#### Lenin's Prestige

The hold which Lenin has gained on the imagination of the Russian people makes his position almost that of a dictator. There is already a Lening legend. He is regarded as almost, a prophet. His picture, usually accompanied by that of Karl Marx, hangs everywhere. In Russia one never hears Lenin and Trotski spoken of in the same breath as is usual in the western world. Lenin is regarded as in a class by himself. Trotski is but one of the lower order of mortals.

When I called on Lenin at the Kremlin I had to wait a few minutes until a delegation of peasants left his room. They had heard in their village that Comrade Lenin was hungry. And they had come hundreds of miles carrying 800 poods of bread as the gift of the village to Lenin. Just before them was another delegation of peasants to whom the report had come that Comrade Lenin was working in an unheated room. They came bearing a stove and enough firewood to heat it for thre months. Lenin. is the cally leader who receives such origin. And he haves them in to the truncal fund.

Face to face Lenin is a very striking nan - straghtforward and direct, but also genial and with a large humor and serenity.

#### Concessions

The soviet government recognizes very clearly the undesirability of granting concessions to foreigners and is ready to do so only because of necessity. The members of the Government realize that the lifting of the blockade will be illusory unless the soviet government is able to establish credits in foreign countries, particularly the United States and England, so that goods may be bought in those countries. For Russia today is in a position to export only a little gold, a little platinum, a little hemp, flax, and wood. These exports will be utterly inadequate to pay for the vast quantity of imports Russia needs. Russia must, therefore obtain credit at any price. The members of the soviet government realize fully that as a preliminary stepto the obtaining of credit the payment of foreign debts must be resumed and, therefore are ready to pay such debts. But even though these debts are paid the members of the soviet government helieve-that they will not be able to borrow money in foreign countries on any mere promise to pay. They believe, therefore, that they will have to grant concessions in Russia to foreigners in order to obtain immediate credit. They desire to avoid this expedient if in any way it shall be possible, but if absolutely necessary they are ready order to begin the restoration of the normal life of the country.

### Officer's Views On Siberia.

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"There are at present the following many other governments which have officially proclaimed their existence. The most influental governments are those of Lenin and Kolchak. "Lenin's government cannot expect any sympathy, since it is pursuing principles which are hateful to the world, though personally Lenin is a man meriting all respect for his firmness

ion of the significance of the Bolshevik government" (Dzhi-Dzhi).

After having read all this material, which in no case can be considered as Bolshevik propaganda, one can only conclude that Siberia is at present under a rule which is practically the same as that of the Czar, with one notable difference: namely, that was a despotic organization, whereas here there is despotism without any organization. The picture presented by these papers is one of sheer anarchy.

Had the American authorites carefully studied all these newspapers, or could easily have done, they would never have supported Kolchak in any

I believe that any one who had an opportunity to study this vast literatdre of confessed tyranny and incompetence will certainly sympathize with the effort of Soviet Russia to defeat these forces of reaction and corrup-

Lt. Col. B. Roustam Bek.

#### Capitalist Press' Ability To Lie. (Continued from page 1.)

starvation, with a woleful lack of rolling stock for her crisp led railways and with all the capitalist world, like a wolfpade at her throat, the working-class government of Russia has milicid government, Denikin, Tzeretelli, and her powers and successfully warded off the atacks of her enemies.

The last chance of the capitalist allies of Russian react ionaries to wreck the first working-class government is rapid ly passing. Winter is settling down in the northland. The apportunities for active campaigning will soon be over Pussia will have a chance to regain at least a portion of her shat. tered powers during the winter months. Starvation holds no "The Bolshevik government is ab fears for Russians. They knew starvation under the Cita, solutely stronger than the Omsk government. "Facts don't permit us to they can imagine but one thing worse, that is to become the indulge in unwarranted understimat- slaves of the capitalist imperialism that seeks to revour them. By the time snows are melted in the spring, the allies may have sufficient trouble with their own working-clases to draw their attention from undecalred war in Russia.

The lying capitalist press completely refutes its own statements. It lies purposely and maliciousily lied to drude the workers. Already the prostitute editors are shedding tears, because the facts do not bear out their extravagaras of yesterday. But they do not weep on account of their falshoods, they have fallen far below that moralstate. They are paid prostitutes and damned cheaply hired at that. Their kind in the even only their official section as they under world would scorn the miserable ness of potta gratley. accept as the price of their debauchery.

> The lying press will continue its present course as long as it can find a market for its wares. A powerful opponent is arising, however in the form of a militant worker's press, As the class consciousness of the workers increase, their capitalism is rapidly driving it. press is strengthened. And in this is the hope of the inture. Like every avenue of human endeavor, journalism has been THAT.

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debauched by the present economic system, which has perverted a means of education and information into a means existence. of enslavement of the peoples.

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The revolution sweeps on. No lie is big enough to halt

## Quick Watson, The Needle!

DISCOVERED! THE ONE HAPPYFAMILY IN INDUSTRY! IT MUST BE SO BECAUSE THEY SAY SO!

"Full many a flower is born to lations only on a much broader field.

blush unseen and waste its sweetness With all the policies of the company on the desert air", sang a poet long based on justice the reciprecation of ago. Many have been the comments your confidence to us is the first pon the fact that greatness is often stepping stone to happiness fairness hidden and may be found in places and the condition of equality that least expected. — But who would ever must exist with us all to Become the suspect that right here in Cleveland one happy family in industry known existed that which the presidents as the American Multigraph Company. round table so earnestly sought, that Signed Mr. Tom Wright Wanager of

which has been so earnestly sought by the industrial relations department. all the happy little fixors for the continuance of the Capitalist state -- I'HE HAPPY FAMILY IN IN-Under a very pretty picture of a

bourgeoisie mother and child, the following notice appears:

to you?

Does it make you think of your loved ones?

thru the ignorance of others? few of the so-called proletariat attain just an ordinary decent living.

Do not forget we are here to serve do it! matters we sincerly desire is similar to a court of domestic re- 40c AN HOUR!

Upon inquiry as to wages paid in this happy family we were informed that we could become one of the family at any time and receive the magnificent wage of 40c an hour! We had just been looking for a

house to live in and knew something Does this picture portray anything of the prices we would have to pay for house rent, we had just had ordinary proletarian dinner and had paid 65c for it, and we had just Must your wife and child suffer looked over the price list current in Cleveland stores and we couldn't fi-Is the cry of bread to be heard gure out how could make 40c an hour from the mouths of babes so that a cover all the necessary expenses of aims to their and thru the spirits of wanted to take advantage of the unrest they create. wanted to take advantage of the generous offer of Mr. Wright and We all know what unrest means in have him help us straighten out "our industry. It means less income and personal industrial problems." inclupigger efforts to wage the fight for ding the problem of how to live on 40c an hour and still have at least six hours to sleep but alas its' a cruel When you hear of your fellow work- world! Our knowledge of Communist ers complain of conditions in our plant communist economics butted in here and told use that would be sometimed that Mr. Wright for all his good that Mr. Wright for all his good

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