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Mexico and Youngstown

By J. L. ENGDALH.

IF THE American people intend going crazy over the killing of Americans in Mexico, let them lose their insanity by thinking for a moment of the slaughter of workers in the United States; at Youngstown, Ohio, for instance.

The jingo press is howling for intervention in Mexico, for vengeance, for blood. The plutocrats are urging that Mexico be swept by a conquering army as far as the Panama Canal. To them intervention means conquest and annexation. They hide their ambitious schemes no longer.

NOT ONE blood-lusting, jingo, capitalist sheet, not one in all the land, has dared that an army be sent down thru the Mahoning Valley, of Ohio, to avenge the death of the steel workers shot down by the hired murderers of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company. They shriek for protection for Americans in Mexico while no voice is raised in behalf of the men and women slaughtered right in our midst.

The American mine operators had been warned by the United States government to keep out of Mexico. They must have known that their lives were in peril when they entered the state of Chihuahua where the last remnant of Villa's army is struggling against complete elimination. These mine owners and mine operators, employes of Potter Palmer, the Chicago millionaire, risked death and met death, while their employer basked in the silver sunshine of Florida's balmy winter. They were the willing instruments of a profit-hungry capitalist. What is there in this to rouse a nation of one hundred million souls to the cry for blood?

HOW DIFFERENT do we find the story of Youngstown, Ohio. Brawny men from all the countries of Europe have been lured to the steel mills of the Mahoning Valley. "Two men for every job" is the slogan of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company, copied from the labor crushing program of the all-dominating steel trust. Fearing the man who stood ready to grab his job, the man on the job toiled 12 hours a day, with a 24 hour shift once every two weeks. The wages were not enough to meet the grocery bill, the rent bill, the doctor bill, the bare necessities of life. So he rebelled. Thousands of men on the job revolted.

It may not be as heroic, in the eyes of the capitalist press, for workers to rise in rebellion against the capitalist system, in the hope of winning better conditions for themselves and their children; no, in the eyes of the pet organs of the plutocracy, this is not as heroic as robbing the Mexican people of their natural resources for the profit of Potter Palmer, the Standard Oil company, the Pearson Oil Syndicate, William Randolph Hearst, Harrison Grey Otis, or the International Harvester company.

When men die in the process of robbing the Mexican people, the jingo press bawls mightily for intervention. It is demanding blood and conquest. But when workers are martyred in the cause of humanity at Youngstown, Ohio, the capitalist sheets with the grossest of libel charges them with being drunkards, arsonists and looters.

THE UNITED STATES army is called upon to avenge the death of the servants of the plutocracy in Mexico. The state militia of Ohio was sent to the Mahoning Valley to strangle the hopes of the steel workers for a better day. What better proof of the fact that this is a profit ruled land.

There is less need now for intervention in Mexico than there has been at any time during the five years of internal war suffered by our agonizing neighbor. There is greater need now than at any time since the

through civilization will be long delayed by reason of America's shameful stand.

Because there is obviously no danger of an invasion of America by any foe for many years to come, the present war having exhausted the military powers of the world, we in the United States can well afford to wait and see what the end of the great world war brings. We can very well wait with entire safety, say, "Let us leave the whole question of our military policy to be settled when the other great powers are settling theirs, after the war".

Increased military and naval expenditures today spells the ruin of the hopes of democracy, not only here, but thruout the civilized world.

The Pitiable President.

By LINCOLN PHIFER.

Give us a government of the people, Mr. Wilson, not of the plutocrats.

Give us a government by the people. Let us vote on the preparedness and the death of the traitors who agitate for war.

Give us a government for the people. Let us retain the full value of what we produce. Then we will really have a country.

Provide justice for the workers in the courts. Never in all our history have they had it. Give the capitalists justice. Imprison and hang them for crime, just as you would the toiler.

Let the people have control of their own money. Take that control from the regional banks which are owned by the class that exploits the people.

Make it so the American worker will own his own job and his own home. Down with the causes that are turning us to tenants and hirelings and tramps.

Take from the exploiting class the power of employment, and restore it to the whole people, thru turning manufacturing and transportation into their hands.

Instead of organizing a private army, to be paid for and owned by the capitalists, who give their "hands" time for drilling on full pay, let all the people buy and keep arms, as contemplated in the constitution.

You claim to be a democrat, Mr. Wilson. Prove you are one by submitting to a popular vote a new constitution which shall take from congress the power to declare war and from the president the power to veto law.

Prove you are a democrat, Mr. Wilson, by calling for a new constitution in which the senate and "representative" government are set aside for democratic administration of affairs, with power of the people to recall all officials that do not please them.

Create real patriotism by giving the people a country that actually belongs to them. A nation that stands for the people will be supported by them. A nation that stands for capitalists against the workers deserves no support.

Make public defence certain by giving the people—both military and naval organization, but we find that we have nothing of the kind. Despite all our expenditure, we are "wholly unprepared" we are told.

In recent years we have been rapidly increasing our expenditures upon the army and navy. In 1897 we spent on the army and navy something like seventy-two millions of dollars. By 1914 we had raised that to the vast sum of three hundred and six million—an increase of 325 per cent. Yet we are told that we have not increased our expenditures nearly enough; that we have only just begun, in fact.

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And that is not the end, but only the beginning. Each year we must increase. God alone knows for how many years or by how many millions a year!

Was ever a more senseless program submitted to any people under the sun?

And those who so passionately call for its adoption not even pretend for its immense expenditures will insure peace.

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They admit, too, that an investment of many millions this year in guns of the newest and most approved type will be rendered comparatively valueless next year by the invention of new and superior guns, rendering the old obsolete.

I CONFESS to be one of those who believe that out of the great world-war democracy will emerge victor. I have every confidence that the close of the war will give the democracies of Europe a great opportunity which they will seize, that revolution will follow quickly upon the heels of the war.

If I am right, the reign of militarism may well be ended—unless the United States, newly embarked upon the militarist road, supports it and increases its span of life. If we go in for the extensive military and naval program which has been set before us, then disarmament in Europe and

DROP THAT CHIP, MR. WILSON.

WE WORKERS don't like the game you are playing, Mr. President, because we stand to lose however it may go.

If the masters choose to go to Europe, and the ship on which they embark is destroyed, let them die and be damned. They deserve their fate.

You have no right to pick a quarrel with Germany or Austria or England because these fools tempted fate. They were traitors to America to risk their lives at such a time.

It is the workers who must pay for the "preparedness" you hope to scare from the people because of such damnably vicious causes.

The master class will make money out of the war they are thus deliberately provoking, and will not do the fighting.

If you want "preparations" against such a war, force the brokers, the bankers, the war howlers, to fight the war they force us into. If they were killed it will be no loss to America. The wealth would all remain. The workers would remain to create more wealth. We might get along better without these provokers of loot and murder than we have ever done with them.

So dump that chip from your shoulder, Mr. Wilson. You are making a fool of yourself.

Another Love Feast.

By JOSEPH E. COHEN.

LIFE IS not without its vaudeville features, even in war time. If one cannot think of what is going on abroad and discover any promise of good cheer, at least one can be amused by the latest antics of the bull moose.

The national committee of the Progressive party has been in session. Their transactions were brief and to the point. They were of one mind and remained a unit thruout. They came at a time when matters of the gravest concern should have agitated them, and they went away entirely untouched by what might have stirred them to the depths.

CONVENING at a time when their attitude toward the European crisis should have occupied their most serious attention, they maintained that silence which is so eloquent of their utter incompetence. Founded upon a supposed adherence to the principles of social justice, they had not a word to say by way of comfort to the millions who have been looking in vain for some measure of economic relief from the Democratic party.

In short, they met only to put a price tag upon their sale to the Republican party.

The national convention of the Progressive party will be held jointly with that of the Republican party. There will be a very patriotic conference between the two factions, in which the merits of each will be carefully considered. And the honorable gentlemen who will thus make the claims of the two factions may be depended upon to settle those claims upon the only honorable basis they know—barter and sale.

FOR THIS is a commercial age and the Republican and Progressive parties are the parties of the commercial classes.

In fact, the sole business of these honorable gentlemen may consist of ratifying a tentative plan of agreement, the articles of which were drawn up either by corporation counsel or corporation chiefs. How much of this was done at the banquet recently given by the head of the steel trust to certain politicians remains to be seen. Colonel Roosevelt who was very much in evidence at this banquet was strangely absent at the meeting of the national committee of the Progressive party.

Nor should anyone accept, but as a vaudeville number, the performance of this committee or the more ludicrous offering of the coming convention of that party of which the national committee meeting was a fair forecast. Their many "brave words" and plausible will not conceal their unconditional surrender to the party out of whose loins they sprang.

Moreover, it is entirely gratifying to have the Progressives and Republicans get together. It would be still more engaging if the Democratic party could, whether by Hearst or another, be made to see the wisdom of going up the tariff hill, side by side with the grand old party of the tariff. Why should not the two animals, so typical of the two parties, be willing to pull together in the service of their beloved country?

IN SHORT, why not go the Progressive overtures one better by amalgamating the Democratic, Republican and Progressive parties?

For it remains to be seen if, because the leaders are willing, the rank and file of the Progressive party are going to tramp back into the Republican fold. The cry of preparedness may do it. "Any port in a storm," the old saying has it. But what if the port turns out to be the thick of the storm?

The breakup of the Progressive party does not mean the end of attempts on the part of the capitalist class to divert the rising discontent of the American people. It does mean that the overlords know what a gag is played out. They do not pay for a unprofitable tune. But they are by no means ready to have the issue drawn between the Socialist party and one other. They are not asking for a straight-forward fight. Quite the contrary.

There must be a lull, after the disgust felt by the rank and file of the Progressive party toward their leaders, which is at the bottom of the transfer to the Republican party. Then a new tack will be tried, probably the advancement of some "progressive" Republican who has a chance to win and put "progressive" policies into effect.

THE NATIONAL committee of the Progressive party seems to have been very careful to refrain from setting forth their principles. The American voter has a short memory, but the time between now and June may be even shorter, so that the leaders of the Progressive party might have been hard put to it to maintain that the Republican party has accepted their platform. It is a case where the less the Progressives say the better.

So on with the lovefeast of the Republican and Progressive parties! There are no friends like old friends! They can trust each other as implicitly as they always have, which is all or nothing as each one may decide for himself. The prodigal son has returned and the fattened calf will be served as the principal dish. Let the wine flow freely, for the overlords will foot the bill.

Another page turned in the political history of America. Can we not be charitable and say nothing lost if nothing gained? Possibly a little more ground cleared, and greater reason given to the Socialist party to strike on to further progress and full victory.

London Exposes Big Grab of Plute Interests in Congress

WASHINGTON.—Showing up the administration's water-power leasing bill as a reactionary measure, designed to give away for half a century the millions of horsepower now belonging to the people, Representative Meyer London in a speech on the floor of the House of Representatives denounced the scheme as "deliberately criminal." The Socialist's attack on the much-touted "progressive" and "conservation" measure woke up old party members to the fact that London represents a nationally victorious country for the responsibility of Congress in protecting the nation's resources.

London had set up half the previous night studying the carefully drawn phrases of the bill, in order to be prepared to expose its hypocrisies, and so informed the House.

Exposes Grab System.

He pointed directly to the so-called recapture clause, under which, if fortunate, the government might get back at the end of fifty years the water powers it now plans to give away under lease to electric power corporations.

"This is not a recapture clause," he said. "It is a fool-capture clause. Fools will be captured by it."

"What you are trying to do now is, instead of preserving the natural resources of the country for the people, you make things worse. Fifty years is more than a generation. A generation is the average life of all the persons in a community, or one-third of a century. It is not enough that you do mischief to last a life time, that you burden, with the result of your unwise action, the present generation, but you want to impose burdens upon those who will come after us."

"Congress says 'we must provide generous terms in order to get private capital to make investments.'"

Nation's Resources Neglected.

"Why not get the inexhaustible capital of the United States of America? You speak glibly about expending billions of dollars for munitions, but you cannot get your minds to work out some method of utilizing the resources of the United States for the people."

"The committee speaks of criminal negligence committed in the past in overlooking the wonderful resources of the United States—and permitting them to be appropriated by private individuals. You substituted liberate and criminality by permitting leases for fifty years. And if you gentlemen do permit leases for fifty years, why not provide that a commission have the right to regulate the hours of labor, wages and other conditions of labor and demand that conditions of employment shall not be inferior to standards demanded by organized labor?"

"Why do you always forget these little things—the demands of labor? You speak of the consumer. What about the great masses of the working people? Why do you disregard them in your scheme for regeneration of society?"

"You are not doing the right thing in adopting this bill. When the Republicans and Democrats agree it is a safe thing to vote for a bill, it is time to look out. (Laughter.) I want to call you names. First of all, it is a bad thing to do. I wish to do an agreeable fellow. I can say lots of things about the Republicans in the abstract and the Democrats in colloquy. History will take care of that and will call you all kinds of names. All I wish to say is that you are making a very serious blunder."

"The future historian will say that by enacting this bill you tried to fool the people, to deceive them, and to make them believe that you were earnestly making an attempt to conserve and preserve the natural resources of the country while in reality you were enabling private interests to obtain fifty year leases in order to continue the exploitation of the resources of this nation."

"I object to this bill because it is an unfair bill. It is an improper bill. It is not one to promote the interests of the people. It is destructive of their rights."

VOTES AGAINST BARNS.

By GILSON GARDNER.

WASHINGTON.—The first significant rollcall of the new Congress was from the amount which can be deposited by any individual in Uncle Sam's postal savings banks. Private banking interests have always objected to any real expansion of this government banking system and in Congress, two members of the House forced the matter to a vote—Keating of Colorado and Howard of Georgia. The House as a whole, of course, reflected the banking sentiment and turned it down and the interesting fact is a small group of the people who voted right, among whom is the Socialist, Meyer London, of New York.

"Socialism and communism will be advanced as a result of the war," said Henry Ford, when he landed in New York from his recent trip to Europe. But that significant statement was not flashed over the wires by the press associations, and for an equally significant reason that doesn't require anyone to hasten to consult a clairvoyant to fathom. Henry made the above observation to an army of reporters and the New York City was the only English daily to print the statement.

In Zurich, Switzerland, a Socialist candidate has been elected to the City Council to fill a vacancy without opposition, an unprecedented occurrence. In the city of Bern the municipal election just held resulted in a gain of two seats in the City Council for the Socialists, who will now control 37 members in that body while the Liberals will have 33 and the Conservatives 10.

Karl Liebknecht has challenged the German Premier to explain why the military authorities have suppressed his articles relating to political matters, which are privileged when signed by members of Parliament, and also to explain why his demands for information on minor questions go unheeded. Liebknecht declares that snubs won't go.

"Several Socialists were recently awarded the Ludwig cross by King Ludovig of Bavaria for specially meritorious services performed in the hour of the country's need," says the Overseas news agency. "The Socialists declined the decoration because they considered acceptance of it incompatible with the principles of their party."

According to the international correspondence, an increasing number of voices in the French Socialist movement demand a change in the attitude of the party majority on war questions. Several provincial Socialist papers have endorsed the Zimmerwald conference and remand recognition of it from the party executive.

The headquarters of the Socialist Democratic party of Canada had been removed to Toronto, according to the announced result of referendum vote.

WAR ON GAG RULE.

WASHINGTON.—Socialist Representative Meyer London is to have a part in the fight which will soon break on the floor of the House to compel the reactionary "organization" of that body to surrender control of legislation to the majority of the membership.

The arbitrary power once wielded by Speaker Joe Cannon and now held by the Rules Committee, of which Representative Henry of Texas is chairman, is sufficient to prevent the consideration by the House of any

Increased Armaments Ruin of Democracy

By JOHN SPARGO.

IN TWENTY-FIVE years we have spent more than three billions of dollars upon our army and navy. I do not include in that sum the vast amount spent for military and naval pensions. It represents only our expenditure for maintaining the living organizations of our national defense.

That immense sum ought to have given us a not inconsiderable military and naval organization, but we find that we have nothing of the kind. Despite all our expenditure, we are "wholly unprepared" we are told.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Here is all the week's news worth while boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they do not have time to read the daily capitalist papers.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10. The spy from Poland. "This is the crucial time. Unless England gets into Poland within a month hundreds of thousands more will die."

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11. Progressive Party national committee meeting in Chicago fixes June 7, name date chosen by republicans for presidential convention, and opens door for amalgamation with G. O. P.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12. One student killed and six injured in annual bow fight between freshmen and sophomore classes at University of Pennsylvania.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13. Montenegro frontiers today in being shelled by invading Austrian army.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14. Reports from Rotterdam say tidal wave off North Sea does great damage.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15. Turks reported in plot to overthrow ruler and oust German. Russians massacred by wholesale in the city of Meana.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16. Report that Perin has entered war on side of Teutonic allies bringing number of nations involved in conflict up to 13.

Pat Quinlan's Martyrdom.

By MAURICE KORSHET.

IN THE spring of 1913, Paterson, N. J., was in the throes of industrial revolt. Thirty thousand silk workers enrolled under the banner of the I. W. W. walked out with the determination not to return to work until they won.

With the cry "down with the agitators" a carnival of legalized lawlessness broke loose. Each day the police patrol was filled with strikers grabbed off the streets or at their headquarters.

Despite the suspension of their constitutional rights and the attempts of the police to incite them to riot, the strikers remained calm and committed no acts of violence. Even the killing of one of their number by a private detective failed to inflame them.

In the early stage of the strike, a slight disturbance occurred at Misch's mill following a meeting in Turn Hall. Just as Gurley Flynn finished speaking, someone in the hall shouted that they go to the mill and get the scabs out.

Quinlan's activity only redoubled after his conviction. He worked incessantly for the success of the strike. In contrast to the other leaders, Quinlan spent all his time in Paterson.

Then came the dramatic climax. Quinlan's sentence was so long delayed by Judge Klenert that it was confidently believed to be permitted to lapse.

His attorneys, Henry Morelli and Gustave Hunziker, who defended him at his trial, then appealed his case to the Supreme Court.

This ended the legal battle to save Quinlan from prison, and on March 4, 1915, the same day on which Meyer London, the Socialist Congressman took his seat at Washington, Quinlan was sent to the State Prison at Trenton.

out of the Alisch mill and beat them up. They all insisted a riot ensued when the workers reached the mill, windows were broken, etc. Witnesses for Gurley Flynn testified that she pleaded with the workers to go about quietly.

Justice Minturn of the New Jersey Court of Errors and Appeals, in his dissenting opinion, practically establishes Quinlan's innocence by insisting that he was the victim of prejudice and an inflated public opinion.

Finally, all the other leaders who escaped imprisonment were tried by a "foreign" jury, that is, a jury drawn from an adjacent county.

HERE'S a letter from Patrick L. Quinlan, from his cell in the New Jersey State Prison at Trenton, the first letter he has written since his incarceration there almost a year ago.

To My Fellow Citizens, Resident in the State of New Jersey: While you, at this time, in association with your friends and your families, are enjoying the pleasures which accompany this season, I address these words to you to remind you of the situation of one who has labored to the best of his ability to make each Christmas and New Year season, and for this matter, all other seasons, one of peace, happiness and prosperity.

On the morning of February 25, 1913, the day on which it is alleged that I incited the silk workers of Paterson to violence and riot, I made no speech at any time and of any nature whatsoever at the meeting at which it is charged I used the language prohibited by the statute.

Are the months of suffering, the abrogation of all rights, the wholesale arrests, the brutality of the police, and the incarceration of Pat Quinlan all forgotten? Is the memory of the workers so short? Will it always be so? Or, will the time come when the workers will rise to the full majesty of their power and put an end to their enslavement. I wonder.

Abraham J. Shiploff, Socialist member of the New York State Assembly, has introduced his first bill. The bill deals with the hiring of "scabs" and requires that an employer during a strike of his employees must include in any advertisement or request for help a statement that a strike or other labor disturbance exists.

The Socialist party of Local Hartford, Conn., has come out in favor of the creation of a legal aid bureau in the city.

PREPARING OHIO FOR "PREPAREDNESS".

By JAMES H. MAURER.

WHILE the clubbing and shooting of striking steel workers and their women and children, by company thugs, at Youngstown, Ohio, is still fresh in our minds, it might be well to take an account of ourselves and see how many industrial spots there are in the United States, where the same thing, in a more or less pronounced degree, has not taken place.

THE FACT that the Youngstown trouble was started by the Chief of the Scab-Herding Force, who gave the signal to fire, will make no difference to the authorities. The courts will hold that the strikers had no right to retaliate.

THE ONLY time that the strong arm of the law reaches these gentlemen is when they fight among themselves. But, when in conflict with their employees, no matter what they do, or do not do, the power of State is their saviour.

TO BE sure, it may make little difference what I may be able to prove, so long as the workers insist on voting for the tools of their masters, to make the laws and administer them. WORKERS, WAKE UP!

UNION MEN of Canada are calling upon the workers to organize, now that immense prosperity is shining in certain manufacturing. The Ottawa Citizen declares that one group of privileged interests, the Steel & Radiation Co. of Toronto, has admitted a profit of \$200,000 on an order for 18-pounder shells, and told of having repeated it. The patriots said it cost \$380,000 to machine 100,000 British shells, and then boasted that it had cost them only \$180,000.

ROCKEFELLER domination at the University of Minnesota must end. That is the slogan of the Trades and Labor Assembly of Minneapolis and Hennepin county in its campaign to force President Vincent to sever his connection with the Rockefeller Foundation or quit his job.

THIS IS a new one. The Westport Avenue Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Mo., had a \$20,000 social center addition constructed by an unfair contractor. The unionists declared a boycott against the church and picketed the neighborhood on Sunday morning.

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HILLQUIT-GOMPERS DEBATE.

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against Matthew Schmidt, who was tried for complicity in the Los Angeles Times explosion and found guilty last week and who will be doomed to serve a life sentence in San Quentin prison, the prosecution laid great stress upon the bomb planting that served to create great sensations several years ago and were dramatically referred to in the carefully rehearsed testimony of Harry Orchard.

UNDER A new law in Pennsylvania, said to have been enacted to protect miners, it is provided that no less than 200 cubic feet of air per minute must be pumped into a mine for each man working therein, and it is likewise decreed that each mule employed shall be the recipient of at least 700 cubic feet of air per minute.

ROGER Babson, the well-known financial expert and statistician, says there is likely to be a panic in this country after the war ends in Europe. So much gold has been brought in from abroad, he says, that an era of speculation has set in that will have to be seriously reckoned with later.

D. Saragossi, an aggressive member of the Young People's Socialist League in Saloniki, has been sentenced to six months in prison for printing and distributing a peace pamphlet. The persecution of the young chap has aroused more bitter feeling.

Debs Finds Prayer That is Fitting Now.

Editor The American Socialist.—The following prayer was written by the editor of a western paper and entitled "Prayer of Uncle Sam." It was embellished with a picture of Uncle Sam, down on his knees, in reverent attitude addressing his petition to the throne of grace. The prayer seems so peculiarly fitted at this time that I venture to ask that it be reproduced in the columns of The American Socialist.

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MAKE EVERY SOCIALIST VOTER AN AMERICAN SOCIALIST READER

THEY MAKE GOOD. Socialists of Madison County, Ill., some time ago took under consideration the question of sending the American Socialist to all of the school teachers in their county.

ROLL OF HONOR

- Comrade J. C. Quinn, Basalt, Idaho, comes in with a club of 4. It's a long way to Fairbanks, Alaska, but Comrade N. R. King, the local secretary, covers the distance with a list of five subs.

Bennett Tours East.

H. Scott Bennett, of New Zealand and Australia, is touring the East under the auspices of the National Office. He is a remarkable speaker, with unusual oratorical ability.

Fred Warren Writes:

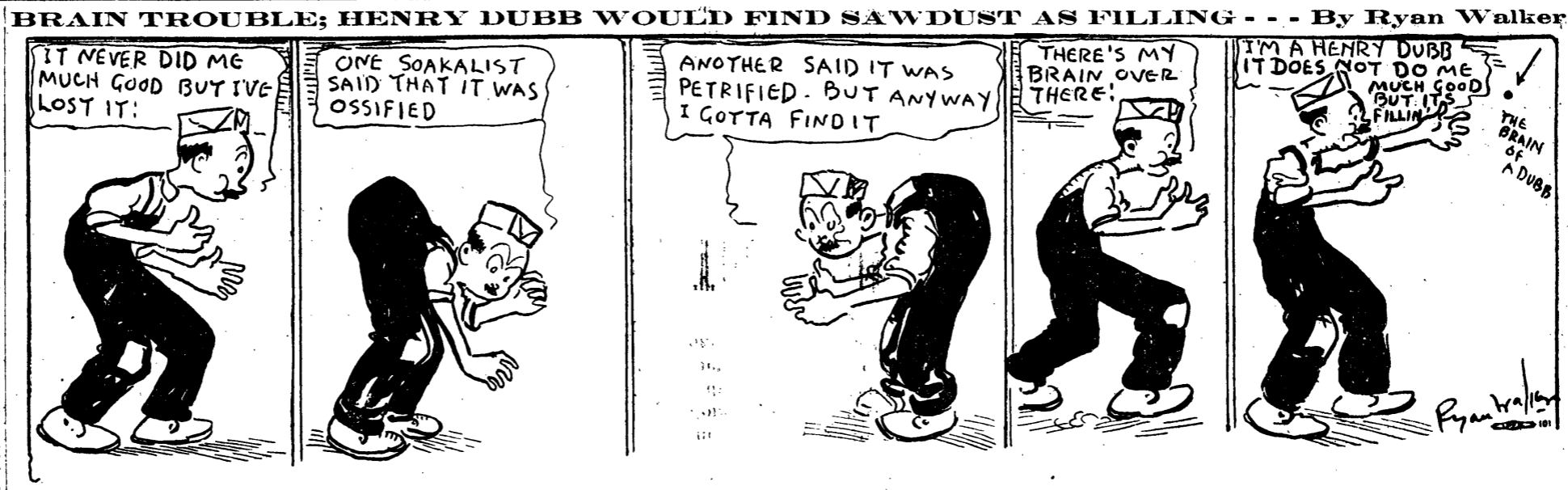
I HAVE just finished reading Phifer's "Coming Kingdom." This book was printed five years ago by my affiliate, and I feel like offering him an apology for not having read it before.

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Begin the 1916 Campaign for HALF A MILLION SOCIALIST WOMEN VOTES IN 1916!



Make that your slogan, you Jimmy Higginses! THINK of having HALF A MILLION SOCIALIST WOMEN voting in 1916! THINK of HALF A MILLION WOMEN protesting against "preparedness" and the whole capitalist system!



Going, Going, Gone!

Opportunities for securing the Maloy-Goebel lecture course are growing more rare. Many local in the East have applied for dates of this course but were disappointed.

19 Murder Agencies Brought Bloodshed To Youngstown, O.

By CHESTER M. WRIGHT. Editor, The New York Call. YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.—"After 48 hours of constant and careful investigating I can say that organized labor has a clean bill of health in the East."

Revelations Are Expected. Those are but two points in a story that reeks with the filth of the rottenest of rotten business, and which, if its veracity can be established in court and the county officials stick to the job, ought to make one of the most astounding in American financial and industrial history.

Rockefeller in the Deal. The proposed merger was to include Colorado Fuel and Iron, Cambria Steel, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, and the Lackawanna Steel Co. Rockefeller and John D. Rockefeller's name brings up strangely familiar remembrances of Trinidad.

"Here is another nail that drives home the proof of devilishness: While East Youngstown was in flames from the proposed merger, the Colorado Fuel and Iron means John D. Rockefeller and John D. Rockefeller's name brings up strangely familiar remembrances of Trinidad.

"This seems to indicate that something was planned and that it was a part of the plan to burn a certain number of buildings. Of course, we do not know who is going to pay for the burning of these buildings, and we cannot absolutely prove at this time that men were paid to use the torches, but our men did see men setting fire to buildings and they were not molested by the police. These things are ugly facts.

"I have seen sluggers here that I can identify as sluggers that have operated in other places. I know these men were brought here for this job. This whole thing was engineered by

hands of the Secretary, so they were soon divided among the various hosts. LATEST reports received in San Francisco by sympathizers with the Chinese revolutionists say that the dissatisfaction has spread to the sixth State, and that in several battles fought Yuan Shai Kai's troops have been defeated and many have deserted to the revolutionists.

PERMANENT HUNGER. Vorwaerts, Berlin Socialist organ, aims up the net result of the war to the ordinary German housewife in a comparison of monthly prices of the total amounts to be paid for the unavoidable necessities of food for a family of four persons.

THE STORY CORNER. NOTE.—In this column there is traced, from week to week, the development of a typical Young People's Socialist League. The successes and failures are mirrored here and there in the life of the League.

"PREPAREDNESS." That much maligned word became the slogan of our Yipsels when the certainty of the convention became more and more apparent. But it did not mean guns and powder to them, it meant active preparation for a good time, and a busy time for the other Yipsels who were to be their guests during the convention.

THE OUTLOOK. Klara Zetkin's release from custody, on bail, has called forth a great number of expressions of sympathy and appreciation in Germany and other lands. She has mentioned the fact in Die Gleichheit, adding that she heartily thanks the comrades.

UNUSUAL OFFER. THE FIRST week in the year should see a beginning of the campaign of 1916. A number of speakers are out working, but with about 5,000 Locals in the party, it is evident that the great majority cannot have speakers, for one reason or another.

The Truth About Socialism. 10 cents apiece. In lots of 50 or more. This book sells for 25c and thus the Local makes more than 100 per cent profit.

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PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF RAILROADS.

This is a topic of interest just now. At least a dozen College Debating Clubs have chosen this subject for debate and have asked for the information in this book. If you want facts on government ownership of railroads send for one of these booklets.

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FRED WARREN The Fighting Editor

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