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Protest Relief Board's Delay and Neglect

REFLECTIONS

By the Editor

FAR BE IT from me to demon-
strate a lack of enthusiasm about the
recognition of Soviet Russia by these
Capitalistic United States. It is
something that should have been
done long ago, if only for the con-
sistency of the thing. It ill be-
hooves any American—and least of
all the Daughters of the American
Revolution—to stand in the way of
establishing friendly relations with a
nation which was born in the throes
of a struggle against economic tyr-
anny. So I hasten to add my three
cheers to what appears to be a fairly
unanimous chorus in order that I
may follow up with a few "but's."

THE RECOGNITION OF Russia
doesn't mean as much today as it
would have meant during the early
post-war days. For America to have
extended a friendly hand to the
Soviets while they were struggling to
establish themselves and while they
were being hampered by external op-
position and internal dissension, that
would have been an act of generous-
ity befitting a nation which was itself
born out of a revolt against tyranny.

Had America, the strong, in the
days of Coolidge prosperity paved the
way to assist Russia, the struggling,
I could have thrived with pride.
But the thrill is absent today. In
examining the cause of this reversal
of a 16-year old policy, I can find no
largeness of spirit upon which to
commend my country. It was not out
of a desire to help 100,000,000
people who had struck against ty-
ranny to elevate their living stand-
ards that the United States became
neighborly with the U. S. S. R. On
the contrary, it was because this na-
tion—as all Capitalist nations—needs
Soviet Russia badly enough to sunb
even the dear ladies of the D. A. R.
that diplomatic relations have been
established.

SIXTEEN YEARS AGO America
was powerful and Russia was weak.
Then it looked as though the Yuden-
iches and Wrangels and Kolchaks
might succeed in forcing the Russian
people to accept a return of the old
slavery. Then, too, Capitalism was
functioning. Foreign trade was
flourishing—as a result of credits
which the agent of American bank-
ers in consular offices had arranged.
And then rich and powerful America
snubbed poor and harrassed Russia.

But now the shoe is on the other
foot. Today Capitalism is prostrate
while the Russian system is in the
ascendency. While millions of
people are unemployed in all the
great Capitalist nations of the earth,
while democratic forms are frankly
and ruthlessly abandoned in favor of
dictatorships, while Capitalist Ger-
many, Capitalist France and Capital-
ist England are breaking their finan-
cial obligations, Soviet Russia is seen
as the land of busy and secure work-
ers as well as the nation which meets
its obligations.

SO, WHY SHOULDN'T this na-
tion—ruled as it is by people who
base their actions upon the probab-
ility of private profit—be glad to do
business with so prosperous a cus-
tomer? Where else can American
goods be sent with so great assurance
that they will be paid for?

I can only pity people who are so
blind to the facts as to still hold that
America has demeaned itself by ad-
mitting that the land of the Soviets
is indeed a nation. For today the
tables are turned. While Russia still
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SOCIALIST

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Nov. 26—Fred Henderson, Brit-
ish Laborite.

TELL YOUR FRIENDS

SLOW SERVICE AND SHORT WEIGHT ON COAL TO BE CONTESTED BY LEAGUE

Unemployed Organization Charges "Stretch Out" System
Is Used to Enforce Economy—Director Seibert Wit-
man Asked to Appear Before General Meeting to
Hear Complaints—State Director Notified

By ELERY OCKSRIDER, JR.

T. P. L. Publicity Director

While fighting an uphill battle on the eviction problem,
made doubly difficult by the indifference, even antagonism, of
local public officials, one of whom recently declared that he
would no longer recognize the Taxpayers' Protective League,
the meeting of the Central Body on Monday uncovered a score
of new grievances all revolving around two subjects: Too much
time elapsing between time of investigation and receipt of all
relief goods in general and dissatisfaction with the present
method of coal distribution in particular.

At the present time coal is being
delivered to the unemployed through
local coal dealers on state vouchers,
but the method of accounting is very
irregular and varies with each par-
ticular dealer. Some recipients are
privileged to sign a weight slip and
retain a duplicate and others are not.
Some slips show the price and others
do not. Some never see a slip at all.
The unemployed feel that the absence
of a duplicate slip, showing both
weight and price, leaves the authori-
ties and the recipient without any
way of checking up and leaves the
way open for grave errors.

One member, Wayne Sands,
reports having had a supposedly
half ton of coal delivered to his
home in his absence and re-
ceived by his wife, who was pre-
sented with no slip. Later he
found that he had received bare-
ly a quarter ton. This weight
was borne out by the fact that
it lasted only eight days. On
applying to the relief for re-
dress, in the absence of a dupli-
cate slip, he was told that he
would have to get along the rest
of the month the best way he
could.

Demand Weight Slip
In the face of this indifference of
the local relief authorities the TPL
sent a letter to the Reading Coal
Dealers Association telling them that
the unemployed in the future will not
accept any coal unless both the price
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READING CO. SHOPS AGAIN ADD TO UNEMPLOYMENT

An event of interest to the work-
ers of Reading, but which has prob-
ably been crowded from the head-
lines of the local daily newspapers
by the prosperity ballyhoo stories,
was the layoff of a number of de-
partments at the Reading Company
shops on Tuesday of this week.
Workers at the paint shop, upholster-
ing shop and plating shop, along with
a number of machinists, were told
that there would be no work until
December 4.

While the big shops—which were
"kept in Reading" by the Fusion po-
litical victory—are taking advantage
of every opportunity to cut payroll
costs, those who are permitted to
work are still subjected to the same
old speed-up. Drying tactics are
described by shop workers as "un-
bearable" with "efficiency" men like-
ly to bob up at a moment's notice
and maintain a full day's watch in
almost any department to see that
the utmost results are obtained from
under-manned gangs.

Reading Company shop workers
are thus getting what those who
voted to support Capitalism voted for.

Labor Wins Glasgow Election

The Labor party has won a ma-
jority of the seats in the municipal
council of Glasgow, Scotland, for the
first time in its history. Consider-
able gain was shown by the party in
city elections throughout Scotland,
but complete returns are not yet
available.

WILSON BILL IS NEW EFFORT TO PENSION AGED

Reading's Woman Socialist
Presents Measure to Give \$1
Per Day to Poor at 60
Years of Age

SAYS IT'S CONSTITUTIONAL

Law Would Also Allow
Funeral Fund of \$100—Re-
ferred to Appropriations
Committee

Save aged workers from the
horrors of poorhouses and per-
mit them to live independent of
charity. That, in effect is the
demand made upon the State
Legislature by Representative
Lilith Wilson in House Bill No.
42, introduced by Reading's
woman Socialist lawmaker last
Thursday.

The law which Mrs. Wilson is ur-
ging would appropriate \$8,000,000 for
the payment of \$1 per day to persons
60 years of age or older. In addition,
it would free the aged poor from the
fear of paupers' graves by providing
a funeral allowance of not more than
\$100 when the estates of workers
receiving relief are insufficient to pay
the undertaker's bill.

Worded to Fit Constitution
"I feel that my bill will meet every
constitutional requirement," Mrs.
Wilson declared this week in dis-
cussing her latest attempt to win re-
lief for Pennsylvania's worn out
workers. "Certainly, such a law is
needed and would be a decided im-
provement in the lot of people who
now have nothing better than cold
poorhouse charity to look forward to."

Mrs. Wilson's measure has been
referred to the Committee on Approp-
riations where it now lies at the
mercy of the old party politicians
who have consistently resisted every
Socialist effort to legislate in the in-
terest of the workers of the state.

LABOR COLLEGE STUDENTS ENROLL MONDAY NIGHT

Trade unions throughout the city
are responding with great enthusiasm
to the drive to make the fifth year of
the Reading Labor College, starting
next Monday evening in Southern
Junior High School, Tenth
and Chestnut streets, the greatest of its
career. Committees of people promi-
nent in the local labor movement
have been visiting the unions and
have been greeted cordially and their
appeals for students responded to by
both the newly organized unions and
those that have been active in Read-
ing for some time. Monday's gather-
ing will be limited entirely to regis-
tration of students. A fee of \$3 is
charged students to help defray
costs. Deficits will be underwritten
by the local labor movement.

As befits them as the largest or-
ganization of workers in Berks
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PARTY UNITS AID LOCAL

In reply to the call for funds to
finance the recent campaign, a num-
ber of party units have transferred
funds from their branch treasuries
to the funds of Local Berks. The
following branch organizations have
contributed to the campaign fund:
Berkshire Heights, Birdsboro, Cen-
tral, Central Women, Cumru, Ken-
horst, Northeast Deed-a-Day Sewing
Circle, Northeast Women, Women's
Committee, Women's Socialist
League.

"Thanks, Comrades, you have set
the pace. Who will be the next to
fall in line?"

Lecture Sunday

At 2:30 P. M.

IN ODD FELLOWS' HALL

8th and Franklin Streets by

FRED HENDERSON

Famous British Socialist and Member
of the British Labor Parliament

HENDERSON is the author of THE CASE FOR SOCIALISM
and many other Socialist tracts and pamphlets. As a speaker
writer, debater, HENDERSON ranks high among the leaders of
the Socialist movement.

ADMISSION FREE—SILVER OFFERING
WILL BE LIFTED TO DEFRAY EXPENSES

SINGING: A special feature of the afternoon's program will be
singing by the Socialist Women's Chorus.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND
THIS IMPORTANT EVENT

PITT'BH JOBLESS ROSEDALE STRIKE WIN DEMANDS AT A DEADLOCK

Mass Demonstration, Led by
Socialist, Gains Prompt Ac-
tion in Supplying Fuel to
Families

More than 1,600 Pittsburgh un-
employed, 400 of them women,
called upon the director of relief,
George P. Mills, last Saturday, to
demand more efficient and prompt
distribution of relief. The demon-
strators approached the offices of the
director from different streets in con-
tingents of 80, and before long the
corridors of the city hall were
crowded.

The complaints were presented in
writing by the chairman of the Un-
employed Citizens' League, Robert
Lieberman, a local Socialist, their
executive committee, Peter Dough-
erty, Peter Wack, Jos. McCarthy,
Mrs. Pearl Braden, Harry Scull, Ed-
ward Thomas, Edward Kane and Bill
McNellis. The large demonstration
came as a surprise to Mr. Mills, who
said that he would meet with the
committee at noon. The committee
disregarded the request and proceed-
ed to present their complaints.

Many Cases Presented
They were the usual tales of woe,
such as families with members ill,
and without any clothing and coal,
a letter from a hospital social work-
er, demanding clothing for a com-
pulsive child—the social worker
made her request November 6th and
on November 18th the request had
not yet been granted.

The more urgent cases were acted
upon immediately.

A large pile of nondescript paper
was handed to Mills. Upon these
were written the individual com-
plaints, which, for lack of time,
failed to reach the executive com-
mittee.

The Unemployed Citizens' League,
through Chairman Lieberman, stated
today that the relief machinery had
completely broken down, particular-
ly in the distribution of coal. Many
families have been without coal for
months.

The effectiveness of the demon-
stration was evidenced by the atti-
tude of the authorities. The City
Controller was called in and ar-
ranged immediately to purchase
clothing for children and deliver
coal.

Coal deliveries began immediately
after the demonstration and con-
tinued all day Sunday, and were still
being made at 3 o'clock Monday
morning.

BEWARE OF OFFER OF "RAT" JOB IN PHILLY

Reading workers are warned to be
on their guard against an advertise-
ment in the local daily newspapers
for mechanics at the Edward Budd
Co., in Philadelphia. Word has been
received that a strike is on at that
plant.

What Reading Folks Are Talking About

THE ASSESSMENT BLUFF

Appeals for reductions in real
estate assessments, running into the
thousands are demonstrating the
fact that local governments are rap-
idly becoming bankrupt.

As things are today, assessments
are a gigantic bluff. The assumption
that real estate owners are to pay
taxes upon the "fair sale value" of
their holdings is just a fairy story.
"Fair Sale Values" is the myth upon
which city officials have to depend.
As a matter of fact, there is no such
a thing as a fair sale value these
days. To say that properties should
be assessed at the value they would
bring if sold by a willing seller to a
willing buyer is to refuse to see
what must be obvious to most peo-
ple; namely, that the element of
willingness no longer exists for thou-
sands of people.

Home owners are seeing them-
selves shorn of their holdings, not
because they wish to dispose of their
properties, but because they must.
We are living in a "buyers' market"
—or, more accurately, in a "mark-
et of gauged holders' market."

For some time past workers who
put their life savings into a dwell-
ing have been deprived of their
homes by sheriff sales. In many
cases workers are sold out for debts
which are far less than the assessed
valuation which the city officials now
try to establish as a basis for taxa-
tion. On the other hand, many homes
are mortgaged for greater amounts
than the assessment figures. In the
latter case the money lender is
"stung" when he buys in the prop-
erty to protect his mortgage.

People who have been voting for
Capitalism because they feared that
conditions might get worse as a re-
sult of Socialism must be deeply dis-
appointed when they consider how
things are going. For, in spite of
their reluctance to change the eco-
nomic order, conditions are steadily
going from bad to worse. The ques-
tion remains: How much nearer to
absolute failure must cities and
school districts approach before the
masses see that there is no hope
under Capitalism?

DESERTING FROM SLAVERY

In more backward nations and in
other times parents have been known
to sell their children into slavery in
order to keep them from starving to
death. In these days we see the
youth of the nation going into
C. C. C. camps for the same reason.

This week a number of youths,
who had been forced by poverty to
accept the food, clothing, shelter and
\$5-per-month net which the govern-
ment is offering, deserted the camp
on our local hillside. The news-
papers made brief mention of the in-
cident and concluded with the state-
ment that no action would be taken
to bring the deserters back to camp.

It seems that slaves are not as
valuable as they once were. In pre-
civil war days huge sums of money
were spent to re-capture black work-
ers who refused to serve their mas-
ters. Now we say: "Let them go;
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A Word To Advocate Boosters

We again wish to remind our read-
ers that they can assist their paper
by giving preference to Advocate Ad-
vertisers when making a purchase.

Merchants advertising in the Ad-
vocate deserve the patronage of all
workers and friends of Labor.

You can also assist your paper by
renewing your subscription as
promptly as possible after receiving
notice of expiration.

If you have friends, neighbors or
shopmates who are not yet subscrib-
ers to the Advocate, ask them to join
the Advocate family of readers by
subscribing now.

Birth Control Meeting

A Birth Control meeting will be
held at Universalist Church, Wednes-
day, November 20, at 2 p. m.

Make Your Holiday Complete with a New Suit or Overcoat



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French Socialist Expel Renaudel-Marquet Faction

The majority of the Socialist party's national council has voted to

expel Deputies Renaudel and Marquet, together with 28 other legislators who had supported the new Sarraut government in opposition to the party's decision.

LISTEN FOR
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On Socialist Radio Program

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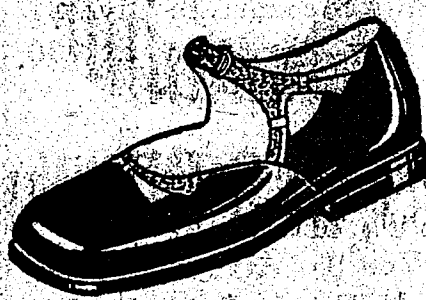
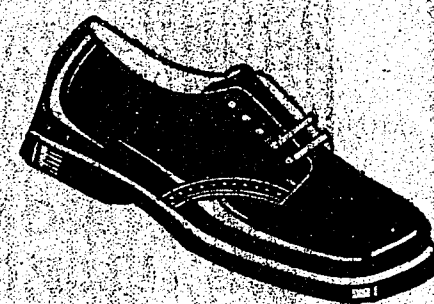
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WHAT READING FOLKS ARE TALKING ABOUT

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perhaps they'll get hungry enough to come back."

STANDING BEHIND THE PRESIDENT

During the recent local campaign the Fusion forces warned against voting the Socialist ticket and made maudlin pleas for a policy of standing behind the president. Now, however, we find the national Chamber of Commerce, to which some of our most ardent anti-Socialists belong, condemning the president's monetary policy.

We predict right now that before many months people who thought they were helping Roosevelt by voting Fusion will have another opportunity to learn that they were simply being "fooled again." Wait until the next Congress swings into action. Then we may see the Berthel forces take a different stand.

CIVIL WORKS AND ARITHMETIC

Arithmetic is a depressing science when one goes to the trouble of finding out how much relief is going to be furnished Berks County's jobless by the use of CWA funds. We are told that \$75,000 has been allotted to Berks. We are likewise told that 4,400 jobless are to be put to work. If you are good at long divisions you'll be able to discover that something like \$17 has been provided for each person who is to get a job.

For small favors let us be truly thankful. But let us not magnify their size. And let us not forget that whatever public works there

may be will be financed by levies upon the purchases of every person able to spend—thus reducing the purchasing power of many in order that others may be saved from starvation. There is one sensible way of putting everybody to work—that way is to reduce working hours for everybody who works and see to it that nobody except those who do useful work shall receive any of the benefits of labor.

Today there are millions of people whose services the private owners of industry cannot profitably use. Why should the government be so eager to put those people on jobs which consume time and produce nothing? Why not first produce abundantly in the industries which a few people are now permitted to own? And why not halt all profits for parasites until every useful worker has the highest possible standard of living?

Socialists want to work for the welfare of workers, not for the profit of idlers. They will not waste time cheering for \$17-per-worker relief projects while the productive industries of the nation stand idle because private owners can't make a profit by operating them.

\$7.11

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under the law. It was bad enough for them to pay me such low wages. It was worse when they fired me after my injury. But they should at least pay compensation for what happened to me while I was working for them.

The case is now in the hands of the compensation referees for this district. When last seen Moleski was still unemployed.

Better To Educate Machines

Where's the profit in educating kids that can't find a job anyhow, the bankers think. Better to train mechanical robots.

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US-RUSS PACT WINS APPROVAL

Recognition Agreement Gains
Widespread Approval
Among Nation's Editors.
A. F. of L. and Legion Cold

NEW YORK (FP)—General acclaim is the composite reaction of American newspapers to the resumption of diplomatic relations between the U. S. A. and the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, a survey of representative dailies reveals.

Even papers which recently carried stories about the red trade menace joined in the general approval of the step. Typical is the conservative New York Evening Post, which played up both Knickerbocker's and Allen's Russian exposures.

"Recognition will be generally welcomed, we believe, as ending an anomalous condition," the Post declares editorially. "There is no denying that the Soviet regime is a government de facto. Now that it has formally acknowledged the duty toward the nationals of this country which all civilized governments acknowledge toward the nationals of one another, there is no reason why recognition should be longer delayed."

Most of the papers welcomed the recognition because of the dollars and cents expected from trade relations. Estimates of sales at 350 millions in a year were made, which means 350,000 jobs. Practically all editorial comment agreed that recognition was a strong move toward the insuring of peace and that it would especially tend to stave off possible Japanese attacks in the Orient.

The only two major organizations to oppose recognition openly were the American Legion and the American Federation of Labor. Neither organization, however, displayed much enthusiasm in the anti-recognition fight. Many state federations of labor had favored recognition.

SLOW SERVICE

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and the weight are mainly based on the slip and that the slip must be in duplicate, one copy for the recipient. However, it seems that the local relief authorities should have an interest in this matter equal to, if not greater than, the unemployed have. After all, it is the taxpayers' money and the local authorities are responsible to the state for its distribution. Even though they are indifferent to the unemployed they should be concerned about their jobs.

On the other question, that of too much time elapsing between time of investigation and the time goods are received, the complaints range over many subjects from coal to blankets. Members say that investigations are fairly prompt, on the whole, but it doesn't follow that after the investigator's O. K. families then get the goods within a reasonable time. Somewhere, in old city hall, between the supervisor and Mr. Burtner, the requisition either gets caught in the machinery or is pigeonholed, until the applicant makes a greater outcry.

Recipients are told that they should anticipate this delay and when they need coal, for instance, they should apply several days before their supply is exhausted. Those who follow this recommendation invite the very thing they are trying to avoid, because if investigation shows that there is any coal on hand the supervisor denies the requisition, which necessitates a second investigation and the time of being without fuel is prolonged still further.

"Stretch Out" System
This is what might be termed the "stretch out" system, inaugurated by Miss Bolger and other foreign supervisors imported into this community, under the guise of being "trained" workers, and cold-bloodedly going about their regular business of making the acceptance of relief so disagreeable that the unemployed, to escape it, would rather eat out of garbage cans.

Some claim that these delays are due to inefficiency but this is very doubtful. These "trained" workers were imported for only one reason: economy. Their job depends on that. Also, they have a reputation to maintain. There is also another consequence, not entirely unforeseen. The worms may turn.

The Central Committee of the T. P. L. started proceedings by notifying Seibert Witman and Miss Bolger to appear before the General Assembly at their regular meeting Friday, Dec. 8, and if unable to come to so state in advance. A com-



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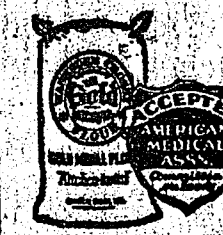
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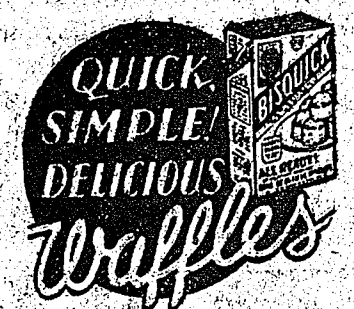
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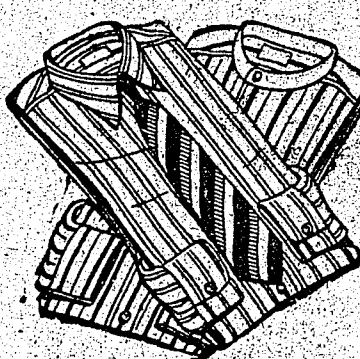
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NEW YORK—Despite opposition of strong crafts in the American Federation of Labor, the sentiment of American organized workers is in-

creasingly in favor of industrial unionism, Leo Krzycki, national chairman of the Socialist party, believes. His talks with auto and steel workers, on a trip to the middle west which he has just completed, have convinced him that these two industries cannot possibly be organized on a craft basis.

Labor Education In North Carolina

Lawrence Hogan, Hazel Dawson, Jack Fies and Alton Lawrence are opening a Carolina School for Workers, sessions of which are to be held at 1109 North Hamilton street, High Point, N. C. Courses are being given in trade union tactics, public speaking and English, elementary economics, labor history and economic history.

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Activities of the Reading Socialists

CARD PARTY FRIDAY AT LAURELDALE BRANCH

Card players are invited to a good time tonight (Friday) in Yergers hall, Laureldale. The event will be a card party under the auspices of the Laureldale women. Fine prizes and good lunch are promised. A fee of 15 cents per corner will be charged.

CENTRAL WOMEN, ATTENTION!
All members of the Central Women's Branch are specially urged to attend the next regular meeting at Labor Lyceum tonight (Friday) at 8 o'clock, to discuss a matter of great importance to all members.

TWO CARD PARTIES SATURDAY NIGHT

If you are looking for a happy Saturday night and like to play cards, eat good food and associate with pleasant people, here are two opportunities for your selection:

Labor Lyceum—Under the auspices of the Young People's Socialist League. Clam chowder, meat pie and delicious pastry will be on the menu. Dinners will be sold at 25 cents. Prizes for winners.
1311 N. 9th Street—Under the auspices of the Northeast women. Good "eats" and valuable prizes.

POULTRY SOCIAL AT CUMRU SATURDAY

If you are looking for cheap turkeys, geese and ducks, visit the poultry social in Rickenbach's garage, Pennwyn, Saturday, under the auspices of the Cumru Branch. Tickets are being sold at 25 cents per person—and somebody is going to take home the prizes. Action will begin at noon and last until midnight.

WASHLINE SOCIAL TUESDAY AT NORTHWEST BRANCH

Another of those mirth-provoking "washline socials" will be held next Tuesday night by the Northwest women in their headquarters at Green and Gordon streets. Those

Notice to Branches

Because next Thursday is the Thanksgiving holiday, all items for publication must be submitted not later than Wednesday morning. Otherwise they cannot be published.
—Advocate Editor.

who attended the last one will want to be among those present at the next. A good time is assured. Don't miss it.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE MEETS WEDNESDAY

All members of the Women's Committee are urged to attend a special meeting in Labor Lyceum next Wednesday night, November 29, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance demands attention.

CENTRAL BRANCH

A discussion on Fascism will take place Monday, Nov. 27th, at 8 p. m. at the Central Branch. William Schwenen who recently returned from a visit to his homeland will tell of the changes in Germany since Hitler and the Nazi movement control that country. Comrades don't fail to hear Comrade Schwenen! You are urged to bring along your friends.

BIRDSBORO

The next meeting will be held at the branch headquarters and every member is urged to be present and make plans for the coming branch activities. The date is Tuesday, Nov. 27th, at 8 p. m. and the place at 622 West Second street, Birdsboro. Be there!

TRUSTEES' MEETING

These comrades are urged to meet at the Lyceum on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 7 p. m. J. Reher, J. H. Stump, William Hoyerter, Ed. Yoe, Oscar Leeds, H. McDonough, Geo. W. Snyder and John Aulenbach.

SHILLINGTON

The Shillington Branch will meet Friday, Nov. 24, at 8 p. m. at 143 East Elm street, rear. Members please take note and be on hand as important business will be transacted.

Y. P. S. L. ACTIVITIES

Circle 2—Discussion on War (continued).
Circle 3—Thanksgiving Party.
Circle 4—Question Box.
Circle 7—Topics on War.
Circle 11—Discussion on the status of the Russian and American women.
Circle 12—Current Events.

All circles are asked to draw up their programs and give a copy of them to the organizer assigned to their circle. Don't fail to do this as failure to do this will mean that your circle programs will not be placed in the Labor Advocate.

Circle 8, West Reading, is having a Thanksgiving Party at the Labor Lyceum on Monday, Nov. 27, at 8 p. m. All Yipsels, party members and T. P. L. members are invited to attend. A door prize will be given away and dancing and games will be held. Admission 10c.

D. & W. students are again reminded of the meeting at the Labor Lyceum to form their student committee on Friday, Nov. 24, at 8 p. m.

One of the most sadly neglected fields of the local YPSL organization is group singing. The need of training along these lines is felt more each week by interested comrades. There is no real reason why the Yipsels cannot have a well trained

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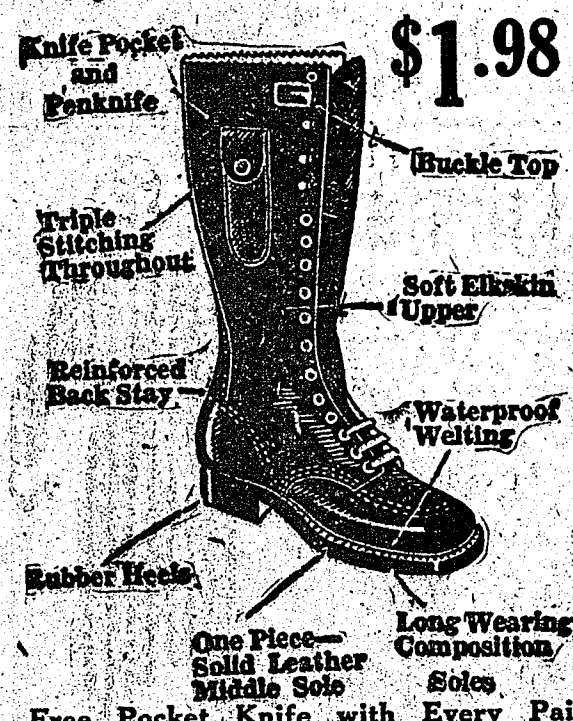
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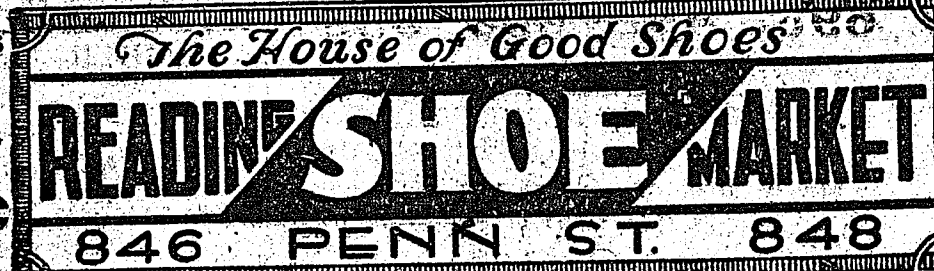
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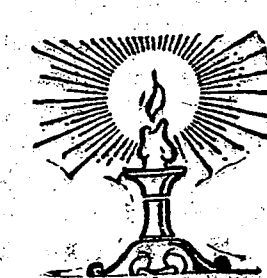
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Suggestions for a suitable name (Continued on Page Six)

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Radio Community Forum
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Every Sunday at 2 P. M.
Beginning Dec. 3

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NEW CHEVALIER PICTURE AT EMBASSY SATURDAY

Not a thing has been overlooked in the Paramount production of "The Way to Love" which opens Saturday at the Embassy Theatre to make it by far the most entertaining vehicle of Maurice Chevalier's American film career.

The new songs written by Ralph Rainger and Leo Robin, carefully tailored to fit the star's personality, not only are musical treats but add materially to the plot motivation.

Chevalier portrays the part of a poor Parisian youth who is a walking advertisement for a love shop run by the inimitable Edward Everett Horton. In his peregrinations about town he rescues a girl from a barbarous gypsy knife thrower and conceals her in the roof top home of friends.

There he unfolds to her, as only the impetuous Maurice can, his one great ambition to be a guide for tourists who wish to see his beloved Páree. But the girl with whom he is falling in love doesn't think she is good enough for him, goes back to the gypsy knife-thrower.

So Maurice with Edward Everett Horton in tow goes on a bender at various night clubs one night. And, with alcoholic courage wrestles with the knife-thrower and takes the girl. Ann Dvorak in her first dramatic, smileless role is the heroine. Incidentally this part represents Ann's return to films after a walkout a year ago.

Among other players who contributed to the story interest are Arthur Pierson, Minna Gombell, Blanche Frederick, Nydia Westman, John Miljan, Billy Bevan and Grace Bradley.

SOCIALIST ACTIVITIES

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are welcome and should be given to Kenneth Smith, chairman of the committee in charge of its publication.

Party branches, sympathetic business establishments, and union locals as well as individuals willing to patronize the paper and help make it a success by buying greeting and advertisement space are asked to communicate with William Stauffer, advertising agent.

Due to the act that the meeting at which Fred Henderson is scheduled to speak will take place on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 26, the YPSL general meeting will be held as usual in the evening.

Refreshments will be served at the meeting by Circle No. 6. Every Yipsel should attend and help make it one of the most interesting general gatherings ever held.

Release Chicago Socialist Pickets With Lecture

CHICAGO.—Unable to substantiate charges of disorderly conduct brought against James Curry, Paul Rasmussen, and Stephen Stark, Chicago Socialists arrested for picketing Lipson Bros. several weeks ago in a strike of needle workers, the judge dismissed the case. First, however, he gave them a lecture on the sacredness of American property rights and advised them as workers to "have faith in the Administration."

SURVEY REVEALS HUNGER IN FASCIST GERMANY

BERLIN.—How unfounded the optimistic assertions of Hitler Government are regarding an improvement of the economic conditions of the German people, is shown by a survey recently completed for "Trans-Atlantic Information Service" by an authority on German economic affairs.

According to these figures, the consumption of meat products during the last winter 1932-33 amounted to approximately one third of the quantities consumed in the corresponding period of 1927-28. The consumption of eggs has declined to 25%; of milk, 50%; and of vegetables, to about 30%. On the other hand, the consumption of potatoes has more than doubled. Large sections of the German population appear to be constantly undernourished.

In the meantime, there has been a further decline in the consumption of important victuals. Since March, 1933, wages have not only fallen 20%, but the prices of all life necessities have also notably increased. For example, the cost of meat has increased by 20 to 30%; butter, by 50%; and margarine (artificial butter) by more than 100%.

WORKMEN'S BENEFIT FUND OPENS READING OFFICE

A branch of the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund has been established in Reading with offices at 240 Linden street.

This organization, founded by German-American workers in 1884, was originally officered by Socialists who had been exiled under the anti-Socialist regime of Bismark. Since then, it has grown to a membership of 82,000 with 370 branches. A total of \$10,776,619.01 has been paid in sick benefits and \$4,399,910.97 in death benefits since the founding of the organization.

Controlled by its members, the Fund makes a special appeal to Socialists and others in the organized labor movement who wish to keep control of their financial reserves in their own hands.

Arrest Hundreds Of Austrian Socialists

Two hundred and twenty-five Socialists were arrested in Vienna, and dozens more in other Austrian cities, in demonstrations celebrating the fifteenth anniversary of the Austrian republic. Among those taken by police were Hugo Thaler, vice president of the Lower Austrian Diet, and Friedrich Adler, secretary of the Labor and Socialist International. Thaler was taken to the hospital after a police beating. Adler was later released.

Will We Ever Learn?

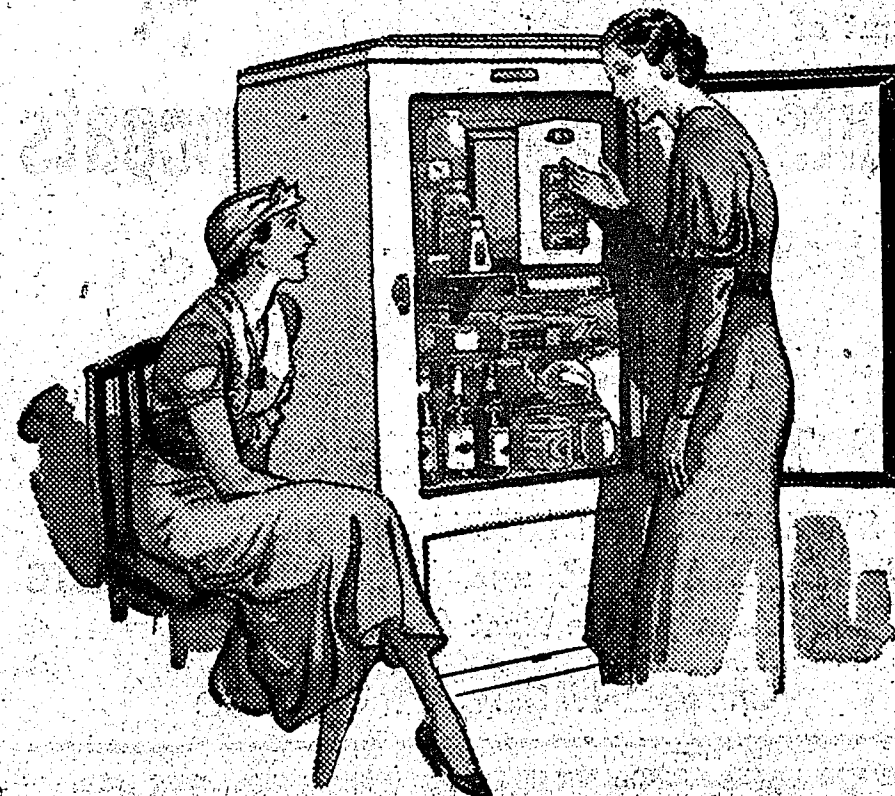
In the World War, our zeal to fight well "the war to end war" cost the world ten million soldiers known to be dead, three million others presumed dead, thirteen million dead civilians, twenty million wounded, three million prisoners, ten million refugees, nine million war orphans, five million war widows, and \$348,000,000,000 in property and production as reckoned shortly after the close of the war.

The United States' war bills for 1932 were \$600,000,000 higher than the total Federal income. The 1932 experience evidently did not serve as a reminder, for out of the \$3,300,000,000 borrowed money in the public works fund, almost \$600,000,000 has been allotted to war preparations. Will we ever learn?—Ruth Saries, Editor, National Council for the Prevention of War.

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Labor Ticket Sweeps Edmonton, Alberta

The Labor party of Canada continues to show its strength in municipal elections, with the election in Edmonton, Alberta, last week of its candidate for mayor, its complete slate of four aldermen and two of its three school trustee candidates.

New Mexico Socialists To Aid Farm Strikers

A resolution of support and co-operation for the strike of the Farm Holiday Association was passed at a recent meeting of the state executive committee of the Socialist party in New Mexico.

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last year, are closed this year in the U. S., he added. At present over a mil-

United States, according to Chair-lion children will have school terms

of less than three months, with the prospect of any school in the second term very doubtful. "Unless there is federal aid," Norton warned, "we are certain to develop in certain areas generations with practically no schooling at all."

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THE WORLD IN REVIEW

By JOEL I. SEIDMAN

RECOGNITION OF RUSSIA

President Roosevelt performed a simple act of justice when, after a delay of sixteen years, the United States finally recognized Russia. More than that, it was an act helping to maintain the peace of the world, for it cannot be doubted that Japan will now be less likely to risk a war with the Soviet.

Socialists everywhere welcome the recognition, for which they have long fought, for their success in winning converts, rightly or wrongly, depends in no small measure upon the success of Russia's economic experiments. While we regret the lack of freedom in Russia, we have much to gain if Soviet efforts to raise the standard of living succeed, for that will be a living demonstration of the truth of our ideas.

Americans will be disappointed, however, if they expect recognition of Russia to have much effect upon our unemployment situation. We can sell large quantities of goods to Russia, to be sure, but Russia can pay only in goods, and obviously this is impossible so long as we act as though imports will ruin us. Regardless of Russia's intentions, she will not be able to pay us for the sums we seem about to loan unless we lower our tariffs sufficiently to admit her products.

THE GERMAN RELIGIOUS FIGHT

The Protestant pastors in Germany who are now objecting strenuously to the efforts to Nazify Christianity deserve a vote of thanks from the entire world, for they are the first German group to put up a real fight against the Hitler regime. The most discouraging aspect of the Nazi march to domination was the complete docility with which the radical and labor movements submitted. Socialists, Communists, and all branches of the labor movement meekly submitted, while the leaders quietly marched off to the concentration camps. There is excuse for failure, to be sure, but there is no excuse for failing to go down fighting.

In retrospect, it appears clear that the greatest mistake of the German Socialist leaders was their failure to prevent, or even try to prevent, the seizure of the Prussian government by the Von Papen regime in the summer of 1932, half a year before Hitler assumed the reins. With control of an admirable police force in the state that was more than half of Germany, they could have given an exhibition of courage and devotion that would have challenged the admiration even of their enemies. Successful or unsuccessful, they would have heartened their own members and won the renewed confidence and respect of millions more. If armed resistance of the police and a general strike of labor would have led to bloodshed then, it might have saved the Republic and prevented the greater amount of bloodshed that has occurred since.

Socialists, while believing in the use of peaceful and democratic means where possible, must be prepared to use other methods where other methods alone are necessary. Our Austrian comrades, let us hope, have profited by the German failure.

ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

It is a little disappointing to hear the President's "ridiculous" "who would divide up all the money in the nation on a per capita basis every Saturday night." Persons who proposed doing that without socializing the nation's industries deserve to be ridiculed, but the difficulty is that no responsible person has said that for more than half a century. Roosevelt doubtless thought that his silly words represented the position of the Socialist Party.

We have no reason to be surprised at Roosevelt's failure to socialize the industries of the country, for he never was a believer in that doctrine. Indeed, we should be thankful that he has been much fairer to labor than we had any reason to expect. But for him to be guilty of such ignorance of Socialism is a great surprise and disappointment, as well as a sad reflection upon his knowledge or the lack of it.

THE GERMAN-POLISH FACT

One should not cheer too loudly the joint declaration of Germany and Poland that they renounce any use of force in their mutual relations. Hitler desires peace now, to be sure, but merely to give him time to properly prepare for war. That Germany is being prepared for war is obvious to every person who has eyes to see. When Hitler feels himself strong enough, his first act will be to abolish, or attempt to abolish the Polish

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Corridor which the victorious Allied statesmen in their gross stupidity laid through Germany. More than that, it has been one of Hitler's favorite ideas for years that Germany was too cramped for space, and that the way of expansion led through Poland. His is not the sort of mind to change.

READING EXCURSION RATES EXTENDED FOR HOLIDAY

The announcement by the Reading Railroad company that their regular low-priced week-end trips will be extended during the Thanksgiving Holiday from Wednesday until Monday night, will be welcomed by those who are planning on visiting relatives or friends or taking a trip home over this particular week-end.

These low-priced week-end trips are usually run from Friday noon until Sunday noon, but because of the great numbers of people who wish to spend Thanksgiving and the balance of the week at home, it was felt that the longer time would be appreciated by all.

The Reading System offers these low-priced week-end trips on regular trains at a price that is only one and one-fourth of the regular round trip fare. Tickets are good on all trains leaving the starting point, all day Wednesday, November 29th, and are good on all trains returning until Monday night, December 4th.

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tension of workers' education by means of labor chautauquas, community libraries and study circles, to be conducted under the auspices of the Highlander Folk School at Monteagle.

CHARTER NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, No. 88 December Term, 1933.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County, Penna., for a charter of the following proposed corporation, to wit:

1. The name of the proposed corporation is "UNITED WORKERS ASSOCIATION."
2. Said proposed corporation is to be organized under the provisions of the Act of Assembly, known and cited as the "Nonprofit Corporation Law," approved May 5, 1933.
3. The purpose of said proposed corporation is the maintenance of a club for social enjoyments.
4. The Articles of Incorporation have been filed in the office of the Prothonotary of Berks County to the above number and term and the application will be presented to said Court on December 4, 1933, at 9:30 A. M., Eastern Standard Time.

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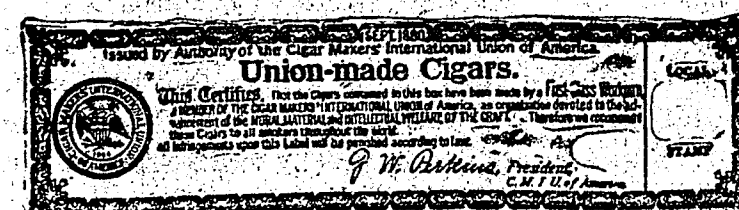
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WE PAY TO SAVE CAPITALISM

It is becoming increasingly apparent that every step taken by the National Recovery Administration has for its primary purpose the salvation of the Capitalist system, rather than the emancipation of the great mass of people from the slavery of the Capitalist wage and profit system.

An example of President Roosevelt's determination to save the very poor at the expense of the not-so-poor, rather than to abolish the cause of poverty, was again offered last week when Mr. Roosevelt made an address in Georgia. In introducing the President, his chairman told the Georgia audience that "cotton is now 10 cents per pound and will soon be 15 cents."

Just what reason underpaid city spenders have to rejoice at the prospect of 15-cent cotton is hard to say. Certainly, they will not be able to buy as many cotton products at the higher price as when the price was lower. Discounting the fact that the reduced purchasing which inevitably follows higher prices, is going to add to the glut in the cotton crop, the fact stands out that any benefit which cotton growers are going to get will be achieved at the expense of the average consumer and not the profit taker.

Up to the present time, price increases and the falling value of the dollar—about which the National Administration boasts—have been accomplished at the expense of buyers. In effect, Roosevelt's policies constitute a raid upon the pockets of workers who can spend in order that those who are no longer needed shall not starve to death. In this respect, those policies are an enforcement of the appeal to give which Community Chest workers are making to the people of the nation.

We mention this tendency without any present desire to criticize. Nevertheless, if we are all to be levelled down in order that those who control the means of abundant life may be permitted to keep their privately-owned resources from being used in the public interest, it is just as well that we give the program its right name.

We, of course, cannot approve policies which do no more than pick the pockets of some people in order that others may be able to eat. We object because, in looking about us, we see all kinds of resources for full and plenty for everybody. So, as Socialists, we say: "Let us produce for use instead of for profit; let us deny the present owners of industry the right to keep their mills and factories closed. Let us take over the sources of wealth and dedicate them to the welfare of the people."

If you are not a Socialist you will doubtless disagree with our proposal. But then you have no right to complain when prices continue to increase and dollars lose their value. Somebody simply must pay the bill for public works and unemployment relief. If you find your spending power constantly diminishing, just remember the fun you had voting for Capitalism.

DESTROYING HEALTH FOR IDLERS' PROFITS

Wherever they have had a voice in the lawmaking processes of the state and nation, Socialists have taken advantage of their opportunities to demand laws which tend to ease the lot of workers under Capitalism.

That such laws are needed is shown in a report recently made public by the United States Public Health Service. According to the report, steel workers suffer more from pneumonia and resultant heart trouble than any other group of workers in the United States. Without doubt a survey of other industries would disclose the fact that each has its own peculiar health-destroying accompaniment.

Here is one justification for Socialists who fight for compensation laws which will include sickness as well as industrial accidents. In passing it is proper to comment that Representatives Darlington Hoopes and Lilith Wilson are fighting for such a measure in the present session of the Pennsylvania Legislature.

While it is more spectacular to have one's leg broken by a falling object, the effects of such a casualty are neither as permanent nor as dangerous as are those which follow a strained heart as a result of overwork or industrial disease. Consequently, there is at least as much reason to demand state insurance against sickness as against accident.

We would avoid being maudlin and sentimental about workers. We think it is right that men should perform such labor as is necessary to produce the requirements for high living standards. But the fact that workers sacrifice their health in doing such tasks appears to us as the best reason why no parasitical idler should be permitted to profit from the results of such labor. On the contrary, every man who labors should receive as nearly as possible the full value of the product which he produces at the expense of his time and health.

Under the present economic system, children born into workingclass families are facing the prospect of becoming servants of an owning class, of wearing out their bodies and using up their lives in useful service which will profit others

while they, themselves, are always on the ragged edge of poverty. This is not a pretty point of view for the fathers and mothers of the boys and girls who will soon become working men and women. No parents like to believe that they are sacrificing to rear slaves whose bodies will eventually be broken in Mammon's mills. But by viewing conditions as they exist fathers and mothers will more readily understand what a dirty deal they are giving their trusting offspring by voting to continue the slavery of Capitalism.

SOCIALISM OR CHAOS

Thousands of years ago, the Greeks puzzled their brains for a word that would fit what they thought the universe was at one time. The word has come down to us as "chaos." It means formless, confused, unorganized drifting matter, shifting here and there without plan.

This sorry scheme of producing and distributing wealth has become chaos. The products do not reach those who need them and millions who need them are not allowed to produce. Some products pile up and we destroy them and human beings who need them are destroyed by disease and hunger. We are caught in confused, unorganized, drifting forces. We face chaos.

There is more cotton than can be sold although plenty can be used by those who cannot buy clothing. So acres of cotton are plowed under to make us happy. Understand that? Of course you do. It is reported in headlines of the daily press. It is chaos.

Well, here is the tobacco crop. Too much tobacco although jobless workers pick cigarette butts out of the gutter. There is more than can be sold, yet there are millions who could use what cannot be sold. They cannot buy but they could use. So-O-O-O, as Ed Wynn would say, the Wise Men at Washington will reduce this year's crop from 700,000,000 to 500,000,000 pounds. Again chaos.

Now it is plain. Plow under what cannot be bought though it could be used or reduce the next crop for the same reason. Work like a slave then destroy much that is produced. You couldn't make a Sioux Indian accept that sort of thing.

NRA is going to get the farmers out of the hole by increasing prices of their products. Yeah? Last week the new Federal processing taxes on pork were effective. Bread has been taxed a cent a loaf, cotton goods bear a few cents, and later cheese, butter and milk will be taxed. Farmers are expected to be helped a half-billion dollars within a year by these taxes.

Fine! We want the rural workers to get out of the hole. City workers also want to get out of the pit. We don't object to paying more to help farmers get more. But to pay more for their products we must receive more wages. If a higher price level absorbs any increase in wages it is a game of see-saw.

Here is how it works. The farmer gets his increased prices for his products. He begins to climb out of the hole but is halted. He finds that workers pay more but they buy less.

It's the same the other way around. Say the workers get more wages and buy more farmers' products, but the price level is not higher. The farmers sell more but at a low price level. This curtails the buying of industrial products and workers are laid off. If there are less workers to buy both rural and urban workers are still in the hole.

Farmers have half the income they had ten years ago and workers have about the same. The NRA hands the workers a wage lever to lift the farmer and hands the farmer a price lever to lift the wage workers. One lever cancels the other one.

It is a looney system. It works against the laboring masses and favors those who live on their labor. We lose and they win. We make and they take. We work and they shirk. The dice are loaded and the cards are stacked against us.

Prices for the farmer and wages for the worker are realized in dollars. Here again there is chaos. You get a dollar which is supposed to be equal to a certain quantity of things. Next year it may represent half the present quantity. Or a certain quantity buys a dollar now and buys fifty cents a year later, for goods buys dollars as dollars buy goods.

Suppose you started to build a house with a standard foot-rule. Suppose that rule contracted and expanded from year to year or month to month. You start the basement with a certain dimension and by the time you start to build walls the rule has contracted one-half. By the time you reach the roof the rule recovers a fourth of the length it lost.

What a chaos of basement, steps, walls, roof, rooms and halls we would have in a house erected by the use of such an absurd method of measurement! Two feet are four at one period and four are three at another.

The dollar measure is based upon the capitalist system of production of commodities. It compels us to destroy food while there is hunger. It heaps billions of wealth into the laps of idlers and makes chaos of everything. Socialism is planned and scientific production for human welfare with the idlers discharged from their ownership and control.

Which do you want, chaos or Socialism?—The New Leader.

PERMANENT JOBS

Through federal funds a considerable number of temporary jobs will be made for men now on relief lists. Of course we welcome this, as we have been demanding it for years.

We have also been demanding more than that, for years. We have been demanding that the public guarantee employment of a permanent nature, suitable for those employed.

The temporary work will be of a "public works" type. That expression has come to mean work on projects such as street widening, road building and other temporary jobs.

In addition to these temporary jobs, or to follow them, society should provide permanent jobs.

To do so, it will have to go into permanent business.

Undoubtedly the administration hopes to avoid doing this. The evident desire is to tide over the worst of the winter, in the hope that private business will be able to absorb most of the unemployed by spring. There is but little basis for such a hope; and, if it should happen, another slump would come later.

To provide permanent jobs, the government needs to follow up its code-building by actually taking over industries and running them. It could then establish a really planned industrial regime, in place of the present hodge-podge.—Milwaukee Leader.



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THE BLOODY TRAFFIC

To the Editor:

A Columbus newspaper recently published a list of the world's 17 richest men—all billionaires. Having never had more than a hundred dollars at any one time, I began wondering if and how it were possible for an honest man to hoard a thousand million dollars in a world of want.

After reading the names of these 17 billionaires, I decided to find out, if possible, how these men had given their fellowmen any adequate return for their respective fortunes.

A superficial investigation has revealed that two of them made their money in the manufacture of automobiles; two in the oil business; one gleaned his billion from the labor of peasants; and the other twelve laid the foundations of their fortunes in the manufacture and traffic in munitions, armaments and battleships. Not only that, but the two richest—Baron Zerahoff, of Paris, and Baron Mitsui, of Japan—have been the outright owners of armament and munitions factories for 25 years.

I have before me as I write a German newspaper of the vintage of 1932. I can't read German, but that does not matter—I can look at the pictures. In this paper I see an advertisement containing a picture of a large super-cannon, the very latest thing in mechanical weapons of murder; and at the bottom of the advertisement is the name of the firm whose wares are thus recommended: Vickers-Armstrong, Ltd., Broadway, London, England.

Vickers-Armstrong is by far the largest shipbuilding, armament and munitions company in the world. It is connected with Schneider-Creusot in France; with the Shoda Works in Czechoslovakia; with Mitsui in Japan; and with the Curtiss-Wright and other corporations in America. Among its stockholders are many members of the British government,

as well as two bishops of the Church of England.

In the current newspapers I read that the governments of England and France are indignant because Germany demands to be allowed to increase her armaments, just as they were indignant when Japan made war upon China in defiance of the League. But at the same time the armament firms of England and France (largely controlled by their respective governments) continue to furnish their products to Germany, China and Japan.

In Washington, the government protests and threatens to intervene in the wars and revolutions of South America and Cuba, yet our armament and munitions firms are still shipping the implements of war to these countries. In 1931, our government loaned Bolivia \$5,000,000 for the expressed purpose of buying munitions to carry on a war; and in 1932 one of our armament firms shipped at least one cargo of munitions to China. When Japan protested this breach of neutrality, our minister at Tokio denied the facts.

The armament firms of the world are all interwoven with their respective governments and with the international bankers. The bankers loan money to foreign governments for the purpose of buying munitions and armaments from the home manufacturers, which in turn enriches not only the manufacturers, but the bankers, inasmuch as the bankers draw not only interest on the loans, but huge dividends from the armament factories, in which they own blocks of stock. All of which forces the governments, who guarantee these foreign loans, to keep secret from their right hands (which sign peace pacts and League Covenants) what their left hands doeth. It's a great racket—the bloody traffic.

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