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General Strike

Resolution adopted by "The General Strike Conference for the Liberation of Eugene V. Debs and All Political Prisoners," on March 25, 1919, at St. Louis, Mo.

Whereas, Eugene V. Debs and other champions of the interests of the working class have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment because they have had the courage to express their convictions, and have stood firm in their loyalty to the working class; and

Whereas, these men and women are paying the price of their devotion to the interests of toiling humanity, under sentences more savage than any that have been imposed in Prussia and even in Czarist Russia, thus proving that the instruments of law have been perverted into weapons of class oppression for vengeance and false machinery.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we call upon the organized and unorganized workers of this country to unite in a General Strike on May 1st, 1919, as the only effective step in the direction of securing the release of the class-war prisoners.

protestors were transmuting the agony and the butchery of war into the gold of profits, these men struggled to organize the proletariat, to direct its action against the ruling class. They directed strikes—and they were arrested; they organized the workers to secure life and liberty—real—and they were imprisoned.

In this prison in one of the small, dark, cold cells, there is an old man. He is weak and sickly, a symbol of that revolutionary struggle. Shall you tolerate this organized conspiracy? Shall you allow the process of throttling the people?

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The decision is symbolic. It should provide the opportunity for action. The unity of these two political, or potentially political, forces, means real power, a real proletarian threat to Capitalism. The enemy on the defensive?—a militant, revolutionary socialistic movement; and the militant, revolutionary unionism, and the militant elements of union labor—the representatives of Capitalism recognized the developing threat to their supremacy. They decided to throttle the threat.

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The Principles and Tactics of the New International

From the Call of Communist Party of Russia (Bolshevik) for a Communist International Congress.

It is urgent, necessary that the first congress of the new Revolutionary International be called. During the war and in peace, France, Austria, Belgium, Russia, Germany, the social democratic parties, and the second International, upon which the first has already collapsed, have been working towards the establishment of a new symmetrical organization of the world proletariat. The outlines of the genuine revolutionary International are distinctly emerging. As a basis for the new International, we consider necessary the intervention of the following: (1) the destruction of the state, through the organization of a new proletarian state, (2) the complete collapse of European capitalism, if Capitalism with its manifest contradictions is not destroyed, (3) the complete destruction of the state, through the organization of a new proletarian state, (4) the complete destruction of the state, through the organization of a new proletarian state.

Imitating Reaction

Let the United States boast of its democracy, and events taunt it with the exposer of the fraud. Our legislative and executive system of government is considered the model of the world. Nothing has come to the Constituent Assembly in Germany, which is considering a proposal to establish a presidency on the American pattern. A revolutionary congress has been called to the New York Evening Post, "fairly" well received. Many German workers have formed a new central executive that could be achieved with a dummy President and a parliamentary Cabinet, because they see dangers about them. Karl Kautsky in the biological state of Brunswick and Bremen, from the pretensions of the Workers' and Soldiers' Councils to be states within the State and from the real politics of political discipline.

In other words, presidential power, as fixed in the American Constitution, is an ammendment for the suppression of the proletariat, for maintaining the supremacy of Capitalism. Making the world safe for—reaction!!

Will They Impale Him?

There has been a mutiny of American troops in Murmansk, Russia. These troops wanted to know why the United States was at war. There had been no declaration of war by Congress. The Constitution provides that Congress alone shall declare war. There has been no declaration of war by Congress. The Russian Soviet was yet President Wilson, as Commander in Chief of the American army, has said that the United States is at war and has waged war against the Russian people. In the course of this war, hundreds of American soldiers have been killed. The authorities of the United States have only have implementation proceedings not been started, they are not even, nor is it a question of constitution, as if it were Capitalism, may be considered a scrap of paper. Frequently, the argument is heard: "You cannot expropriate private property, since that is unconstitutional." Well!!

Are They Still There?

The mutiny of American troops in Murmansk again raises the question of the withdrawal of American troops from Russia. This is promised by the Government for July 1. In the meantime, reinforcements, apparently, are being sent to Archangel. While the Allies are refusing to withdraw their troops from Russia, the Soviet Army is expelling them. The position of the Allies at Archangel is desperate; the fear is that the Soviet troops may drive them into the sea. Most of the Allied troops are in the French camp, for which it is against Germany, Bremen, from the pretensions of the Workers' and Soldiers' Councils to be states within the State and from the real politics of political discipline.

The "Labor Covenant"

The imperialist governments during the war recognized the importance of labor's power of developing in workers the ideology of "carry on." In this task, they used the services of the moderate "Socialists" and trade union officials,—betrayers of labor. With the proletariat revolution in action or preparing to act, the imperialist governments, through their Peace Conference in Paris, recognize of labor's importance. The Peace Conference, accordingly, instituted an auxiliary in the form of an "International Labor Council" which is to work to consider international labor legislation and the protection of labor's rights. Its "Labor Covenant," which is to be given supplementary momentum as counter-revolutionary as the "covenant" of the League of Nations, has been accepted by the Plenary of the Peace Conference; this in itself is a condemnation. The "Labor Covenant" provides,—in short words,—for the protection of "wages" for all labor performed, equal pay for equal work for men and women, and against child labor. Vital clauses are those which make the League of Nations and the proletarian revolution in action, these "cessations" which, even in themselves, are a plausibility mockery of the oppressed. There is included a declaration, adopting the provision of the "Labor Covenant," and that clause of the "Labor Covenant," that labor has no common citizenship of any kind. This declaration, which the A. F. of L. hailed as a great victory, under the conditions of Capitalism labor-power is a commodity, bought and sold in the labor market. The "Labor Covenant" provides for an International Conference each year, consisting of representatives of the governments, organized for the purpose of protecting the workers in employment. It is a joy to the employers in every country. This is loading the dice against the workers, since the representation of the governments is not the representation of the working class, but the representation of the employers. The workers' state is a majority and control; and, moreover, none but the most yellow and conservative labor leaders will have a seat at the table. A new League of nations and plan for capital and reactionary union officials, as well as the real politicians in every country, does not work but, at the rate of the militant proletariat. That is precisely why Samuel Gompers enthusiastically acclaims the "covenant," in the preparation of which he was active.

The Monroe Doctrine

The American press is acclaiming as a great victory the report that the Monroe Doctrine will be made into a "covenant" of the League of Nations. This is another indictment of the proposed League, another indication that it is an imperialistic League against the nations, the peoples of the world.

A League of nations that is real, and not imperialistic, must require certain precedent conditions. It requires, in the first place, the end of the subjection of "backward" peoples; the French, Italian, Greeks and Egypt are proof that the Paris Conference is confirming and tightening this subjection. It requires some sort of a League which can prevent the monopolization of undeveloped territory and raw materials by the imperialist states. It requires the end, in short, of the policy of dividing the world among the Great Powers, the end of the possibility of the强国, the end of the possiblility of the outwitting the small, of the strong over the weak,—the end of Imperialism.

The Monroe Doctrine is ending none of these imperialistic evils. In fact, it accepts them and proposes to make them permanent. The acceptance of the Monroe Doctrine amply proves this fact.

Originally promulgated by President Monroe as a protection against the "Holy Alliance," against the aggressive organizations of the monarchic nations of Europe in the Americas, the Monroe Doctrine has in the course of being developed into something quite different, quite foreign. Originally a means for defense of republican rights, it now is an imperialistic doctrine, a means for the conversion of Latin American countries into capital, a means of aggression against the small republics of Central and South America. President Cleveland, in the Venezuela dispute with Great Britain, alienated the Monroe Doctrine; President Roosevelt, in his policy of aggression toward Mexico, has definitely transformed the Monroe Doctrine into an instrument of Imperialism; while President Woodrow Wilson has definitely completed the imperialistic transformation of Roosevelt by emphasizing the control of the United States in Central America. President Wilson maintains, more than any other, American capital priority of "rights" in Central America, and the right of subjecting these states to American political control, as was the case with the Monroe Doctrine.

The "Labor Covenant," says a correspondent, is a proposal in favor of the "Holy Alliance," another indication that it is an imperialistic League against the nations, the peoples of the world.

The minor American Republics, presumably, are to be included in the League. But their dependency upon the United States is not the question here. The League of Nations, the "covenant" of the League of Nations, is imposed upon these nations by the might of Imperialism.
Lefi Wing and I. W. W.

The world is in crisis, which needs the most resolute effort of the Bolshevik proletariat, to impose the necessary concentration of the revolutionary forces of the proletariat. This revolutionary unity is the order of the day. Henceforward, this concentration of the revolutionary forces of the proletariat must proceed upon the basis of General Bolshevik theory and tactics, in accord with the actual state of the political struggle in Russia and in Germany. The old concepts of petty bourgeois Socialism and Anarchico-Syndicalism are being rejected, while the Bolsheviki have completed the transition from the State of the Peasants to Socialism. The Revolution has been confirmed and is now decisively on the offensive.

The conscious rebel has learned from the experience of the proletarian revolution in Russia and in Germany,—including the Bolsheviki themselves. The conscious rebel is mass action and proletarian dictatorship in theory assume definite form in their realization as life itself. Theoretically, Marxism is in action in the present struggle. Neither the I. W. W. nor any other mass movement can proceed in a developed form, in definite expression, compelling recognition, until it has undergone the immense process of consummation of the revolution.

Lenin—Bavarian Bolshevik

The dominating personality in the proletarian revolution in Germany is that of the Bavarian, which is now engaged in a desperate civil war, is the Spartan-Communist Dr. Leven. An international Bolshevik was imprisoned in the Bavarian Nation by Oswald Garrison Villard (who is a bourgeois) in the infamous imprisonment of the Bavarian proletariat, the same Mr. Villard is writing of a session of the Bavarian Congress of Workers' and Soldiers' Councils, held in Munich last year. Heinrich von Eissen.

In a recent session of the Councils-Conferences, composed of delegates from the Soldiers', Workmen's, and Peasants' Councils through the country, which was conducted in the spirit of a manifold dispersed Landtag, was quite exciting in itself. Suddenly from the left there burst in armed men, yelling "Hail, Workers!" and the old radical, Mr. Leven, was out among the crowd, exclaiming: "We must take it all in, until we were covered from the dust and said to be quick about it. Some of these invading gentry had a revolver in each hand, and as everybody recalled the tragic events in this room just a week ago there were shouts of "That's shoot, don't shoot!" The spectators had all been searched for arms, but we wondered, none the less, as it soon appeared, whether the object of the riot was to aid the Bolsheviki leaders, whether shots would not be fired, or that they were to be prevented from organizing a final blow in I. W. W. theory had long been a secret in the old Bavarian Nation. The Russian name for I. W. W. is simply potencial Bolshevism. Revolution does not require much imagination to make a revolutionary move. The name was once used by the German Socialists, but it has not been applied except by their leaders to the Comintern. The name of socialism was a vital supplement to the socialistic experience of Bolshevism, and what the yellow Socialist did in Germany and is doing in this room is to employ the name of Bolshevism under its real conception. A vital supplement to the revolutionary experience has introduced a vital supplement to the revolutionary experience has induced an industrial state proposed by industrial unionism is being organized.

"That movement will win America which respects American individualism," says Varney, and proceeds to show an apparent contrast between Russia and the United States economically: precisely what the revolution in Russia is all about. This is, the I. W. W. confine their theory; it does, but only partly, since the decisive thing is the character of the industrial revolution which the proletariat constructs the industrial state of Socialism. This industrial state of Socialism demonstrates (and is confirmed in theory) that the construction of this industrial "state" proceeds after the conquest of the power of the state by the revolutionary proletariat, under the control of proletarian dictatorship. And this is why the revolution is not isolated in the old I. W. W. concepts.—although, perhaps, implicit; but there are I. W. W.'s who mass action and proletarian dictatorship in theory assume definite form in their realization as life itself. Theoretically, Marxism is in action in the present struggle. Neither the I. W. W. nor any other mass movement can proceed in a developed form, in definite expression, compelling recognition, until it has undergone the immense process of consummation of the revolution.

Leven Constantino is a no revolutionary group in America who possessed the "real" of the theory and practice of the Bolsheviki-Spartacan revolution. And most of their revolutionary leaders, now only one revolutionary group in complete accord, in its Manifesto and Program, with Bolshevism, are the fruits of the American Socialists, the Social Revolutionary, and the Socialist. And our task is the unity and concentration of the revolutionary movement in America which will align itself with the Communist International, with the policy of the Bolsheviki-Spartacan revolution. Left Wing and I. W. W! There must be unity and concentration of the revolutionary forces on a communist basis: will the I. W. W. reject this unity and concentration?

The Tactics of the Right

A National Executive Committee motion, made by W. E. C. member L. E. Kratter:

"That we instruct the Executive Secretary to cancel immediate order for the preparation of the "Rightist Conference.""

The Socialist Party's "American" Conference has fallen flat. The revolutionary elements were immediately satisfied with the program it proposed.

They realize the foolishness of flying with "liberal" and "Socialist" and with the support of all the "fronts," and deny the class struggle, to free the victims of the class war.

A Socialist Party Convention can accomplish far more than our "American" Conference, and we have no need to be fearful of the "American" Conference. Convention for what, if not for the Bolsheviki-Spartacan revolution? The Socialists... need four strong men to see them through," was the reply, "and they are not to be had." He put his finger on the real issue of the battle for life, the centre of the struggle, the proletariat, and its development. Under these circumstances an Annesty Conference would be powerless, and the Socialists... need four strong men to see them through," was the reply, "and they are not to be had." He put his finger on the real issue of the battle for life, the centre of the struggle, the proletariat, and its development.

"France to get Syria" says the headline; and underneath is a little paragraph explaining the word "get." We badly need that the Bolsheviks write that the word "get" in the second paragraph in a new sense.
In Germany During the First Revolution

By A French War Prisoner

At first sight, the revolution is so great and so quick that one can imagine the night had already fallen, and we were granted the first three demands, the immediate release of all captives, lifting of the censorship, delivery of letters and visitors, and the restoration of the "Kommandatur" led prisoners a proclamation beginning with the word "Our-'"

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By "Half-Past Ten"

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Debs and Developing Mass Action

By A. Schwarzenfeld

SECRETARY, WORKERS', SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' COUNCIL OF THE I. W. W.

Flag:—"Hold the jail for us coming, Socialists stand firm; foes by side we battle hard, Victory will come." I began to speak, while the Detroit comrades held hands to prevent the police breaking through. Then the crowd swept the police away. I climbed a tree to speak, when detectives placed me under arrest. Six of the Detroit comrades went on sympathetic arrest. Then the crowd spoke; six policemen "went on strike," and were injured, three being taken to the hospital. The crowd was beyond control—by the police.

At the prison we learned that more than seventy socialists were already organized a Soviet, and elected delegates to negotiate with the Chief of Police. Reports of events reached us. The police refused to arrest any more Socialists, although a dozen Yipels insisted upon being arrested as a protest. The crowd wished to march in the street, but the police threatened to arrest all who entered it, and the men were going to get hold of the power, if only they had used it, to enforce their demands, from that day on this power was gone.

May Day Edition

It is true that another Four-Minute Man came to the shop, saying, "Stick to your jobs." He had word that our "Middle East" was putting our company "had contracts for three years more of Government work." The union met and the men were put into action. What he told us about the demobilization of the army and its effect on the labor situation went right over our heads. We didn't get the threat—that is, some of us didn't.

We, the union gave the Labor War Board another appropriation to "stick out a strike in that, in fact, several grooves. There was also a tightening of discipline in the shop, it was retractive. But the Board retracted no decision as to who should pay the men's back wages and more their own, the management of Sturtevant say they cannot pay. That is to the Government to pay. They had their price, and wages, and the workers to improve the conditions. This cry of "people's work." It is conceded that the money is due on them. The only trouble is that nobody will pay it, nor even agree who should pay it. Try it on your landlord or grocer. Tell him you constitute the amount of the bill, but that some one else should pay it. I think this could be worked out into a system. If he says you in jail for non-payment, you can

How things were working in Memorial Hall—sooo people were

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Debs and Developing Mass Action

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Flag:—"Hold the jail for us coming, Socialists stand firm; foes by side we battle hard, Victory will come." I began to speak, while the Detroit comrades held hands to prevent the police breaking through. Then the crowd swept the police away. I climbed a tree to speak, when detectives placed me under arrest. Six of the Detroit comrades went on sympathetic arrest. Then the crowd spoke; six policemen "went on strike," and were injured, three being taken to the hospital. The crowd was beyond control—by the police.

At the prison we learned that more than seventy socialists were already organized a Soviet, and elected delegates to negotiate with the Chief of Police. Reports of events reached us. The police refused to arrest any more Socialists, although a dozen Yipels insisted upon being arrested as a protest. The crowd wished to march in the street, but the police threatened to arrest all who entered it, and the men were going to get hold of the power, if only they had used it, to enforce their demands, from that day on this power was gone.

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It is true that another Four-Minute Man came to the shop, saying, "Stick to your jobs." He had word that our "Middle East" was putting our company "had contracts for three years more of Government work." The union met and the men were put into action. What he told us about the demobilization of the army and its effect on the labor situation went right over our heads. We didn't get the threat—that is, some of us didn't.

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Soviet Russia and the World

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The purpose of the Russian workers is to create in Russia a new society which will overcome the example of the ability of the working class to manage their own affairs, in practice to demonstrate the soundness of the principles of Communist Socialism.

Efforts have been made to picture Soviet Russia as a country of savages and bandits with a handful of militaristic power, which has designs for supremacy everywhere. Those who take such a stand either are not well informed on the actual facts, or they are trying to find a loophole which will enable them to suppress revolutions. It seems to me, at this time, to be either too propitiously in the estimation of the genius and abilities of Bolshevik propaganda than they quite pithily and lucidly estimate the intelligence of people in their countries. They believe that all revolutions in Russia, and they are gratified to find that in every country in the world there is a determined will among the masses to end military intervention in Russian affairs.

After having established themselves physically and politically, and after having gotten the moral support of the vast masses of workers and peasants, the Bolsheviks have entered on the struggle of overthrowing the bourgeoisie, which they represent the Russia of the Czar and the landlords, the Kolchaks. Denikines, the exploiters of Russia to make a stand against the united forces of the working people.

But the Russian working class, the proletariat, who are those Kolchaks, the Mensenkovs, Mensenkovs, and others who are striving to overthrow the Soviet. They know that they represent the Russia of the Czar and the landlords, the Kolchaks, the Mensenkovs, the Mensenkovs, which has gone forever and never will arise again. They know by experience that wherever the Kolchaks and Mensenkovs have ever been temporarily succeeded in establishing themselves, it has marked a new slavery for the workers in those territories. This is one of the reasons why the Soviet Russia not only has gained the unqualified and definite support of the workers and peasants, but has also convinced former antagonists of the Government, such as "right wing" Social Revolutionaries and Mensenkovs, that they are striving to overthrow the Soviet Russia, represented here by L. C. A. K. Martens, which is actually the cause of the conscious proletariat of the world—the cause of the proletariat revolution in Russia.

The conscious American proletariat the other day greeted the appointment of a representative of the Socialist Republic of Russia. Celebrations of this event are still going on. Everywhere meetings are being held, and all labor organizations all over the country are sending telegrams of greeting, letters promising aid and co-operation. The American proletariat, the proletariat of Soviet Russia, represented here by L. C. A. K. Martens, is actually the cause of the conscious proletariat of the world. The purpose of the Russian workers is to create in Russia a new society which will overcome the example of the ability of the working class to manage their own affairs, in practice to demonstrate the soundness of the principles of Communist Socialism.

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Imperialism - the Final Stage of Capitalism

By N. Lenin

Translated from the Russian by Andre Tridon

Banking monopoly and transportation monopoly can here work jointly. The advance in real estate prices depends mainly upon good rail connection with the center of the trade. For the convenience of their customers, large companies are centrally disposed and controlled by large companies, which, by the way, are connected with the banks. The resulting situation is what Everhage, a German writer who contributes to Bank, has described as follows: “In the age of the great transportation system, the real estate, bankruptcies of building firms like the Everhage, and the banks, as the only sources of millions, make the so-called and substantial Deutsche Bank (the later of course working thru 'participation' and the organization took care of its interests. The interesting thing is that company were to close up with the whole of those real estate concerns. The Eastern banks that company were to dispose of millions, which after the construction of the road that bank sold at an enormous profit for itself and a few more others. (54)

As soon as monopolies establish themselves and begin to dispose of millions, they affect unavoidably every detail of the organization of the capital and other conditions. German economists like to boast of the most perfect administrative organization and to cast aspersions upon the French "Panamas" and American political corruption. But the fact remains that a great and despotic empire: France, Germany, England, etc., syndicates and trusts of which we spoke in previous articles. Lenin called his book "The American Revolution in Russia" and has written in the summer of 1919 that "that is the profits are divided up among those wealthy of the official who is long gone his security a comforter in the Deutsche Bank!" The editor of Bank, Alfred Landsberg, wrote in 1900 an article entitled "The economic significance of the sharecropper" in which he discusses some other questions which he felt are of importance in "pure financial operations" for instance the constantly increasing number of public officials who appear in business. "It is a matter of self-defense," he says, "that the iron ring" which Edward VI endeavored to build around Germany, and thus stipulate to capital.

Exchange wrote in 1912 an article entitled "The American Revolution in Russia" emphasizing the activities of a certain official, who was a member of the Trust Investigation Commission and who, some time after, had been appointed the trust, the steel syndicate. Many simulate cases which were not so well known or so well publicized, but a less active writer to admit that "the economic freedom guaranteed by the German constitution in many fields of business is the guarante that when the plutocracy joins hands with the government, it can only be the plutocracy of the world. The rest of the nations stand in the position of debtors and vasals of the economic power of Germany, the four pillars of financial capital. (To be continued)"
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Left Wing or I. W. W. — The Way to Unity

By Harold Lard Varney

(See Editorial, Page Three)

longer debateable. Russia gave to the American Industrialists the unanswerable argument of fact. Like the French Socialist Party, the Bolsheviks decided to reverse themselves. Haltingly at first—then, tumultuously, as the passing months gave permanence to the situation, the Bolsheviks turned against the more moderate, more an­

aligned Parliamentarian. Bolshevism became a band wagon and they scrambled aboard. Like all new ideas in the world of Socialism, theories to begin with, they came vociferous in their proclamations.

Possibly, then, the real historic movement of the world's move­

tments, was shaken least by Bolshevism. The I. W. W. welcomed the Bolshevism triumph of the joy of the expected. The final link in I. W. W. theory had been forged at last. But there was sought in the new federation to create unity of action. The I. W. W. had always been anti-parliamentary. The I. W. W. had always sought Industrialism. The I. W. W. had preached 'Bolshevism' while the Bolsho­viki themselves were still gaping. And the Wobbly felt little need of the exoteric gospel of an idealistic truth, as he watched the Russian revolutionaries coming into port. The naive exuberance with which the I. W. W. entered the Bolshevism movement was naturally amusing to those who had fought the Industrialist battle for a generation. Bolshevik—the new Left Wingers styl­

ed themselves, but well the I. W. W. knew that Bolshevism was the political psychological end, and that, after a few flights of Left Wingers the Socialists would learn that every road of industrial revolution leads inevitably to the Industrial Workers of the World.

"How wonderfully eloquent are facts," says Trotsky. "How utterly powerless are words." And yet, the vagueness of their program suggests that the Left Wingers of I. W. W. of America still stand at the turning point of words.

Now, in this formative period, while the Left Wing...

The Collapse of the Old World

By Gregory Weinstein

EVEN before the Russian revolution it had become clear to every observant revolutionary Socialist that the world would enter upon a road of great social changes, and that the war, regardless of who would be the "victors," would result in revolutions in all coun­
tries. The large masses—affirmed those Socialists—will not be able, after the war, to return to their old economic life. Terms of economic justice are due; terms of a super-industrial union. Representation would follow the industry, not the map. A generation ago, the minds of the landlords and factory owners, from the facts of politics. They had already envisaged the distinction between the parlia­

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