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A CALL TO ARMS!

By Eugene V. Debs

The American Appeal, official voice of the American Socialist party, is about to be launched. The first issue is to appear January 1st. It will be the liveliest socialist propaganda paper ever published in the United States.

Thirty days remain in which to roll in the subscriptions to start the American Appeal on its educational and revolutionary career. Each of these days should be made to count in the fullest measure by each comrade, friend and sympathizer who realizes what such a paper means to the cause of socialism and progress in the united States.

The working class whose cause the American Appeal is to champion owe it to themselves to put forth their united and energetic efforts to widen the circulation of the paper that is to fight their battles for freedom and justice.

Having been made Editor-in-Chief and feeling the responsibility thus imposed, I am issuing this plea to each and every comrade and friend in the United States and beyond its borders to stand by and see the paper a success from the very hour the first number issues from the press.

Get to work at once and get every subscriber and every dollar to us you can before January 1st.

If you have interest in the socialist movement now is the time to toe the mark and show it.

Ten thousand comrades and friends should respond to this call and send us at least ten subscribers each so the Appeal can be launched with a hundred thousand subscribers and a hundred thousand dollars in its treasury—and a roar that will startle the natives.

The old Appeal with its Army of loyal supporters rolled up a subscription of six hundred thousand, the high water-mark of socialist newspaper circulation in the United States.

We propose to sweep beyond that mark.

We have set our goal at a million. And this will be our minimum.

The Appeal will be a weekly and each issue as hot as we know how to make it.

The Socialist Party will go forward by leaps and bounds as soon as the Appeal vaults into the arena and issues its challenge to the cohorts of capitalism in the name of the working class and the common people. It will do the work of a hundred organizers. It will throb with the militant, uncompromising spirit of socialism. It will ring out like a trumpet-blast in exposing and denouncing the criminal corruption of capitalist misrule and arousing and organizing the workers for the overthrow of their exploiters and oppressors and for their own emancipation.

This is the most critical hour, the most crucial period in the history of the labor movement in the United States.

Now is the time for us to show what we are made of or to crawl our holes and hang out a sign that we are fit only for slavery and cannon fodder.

Now is the time to measure up to what we really are in launching the American Appeal, in building the Socialist Party, and lining up the American people in the world-wide war against the robber system of capitalism and for the emancipation of the race.

The National Manufacturers' Association and the National Chamber of Commerce of the United States have their scouts out. They watch the world. They know what the French Socialists recently did.

And now they are wondering what you will do with your opportunity to come back and come back swiftly—as the French Socialists did just recently. Read Comrade Hillquit's article.

HOW THE SOCIALIST PARTY "CAME BACK" IN FRANCE

By Morris Hillquit

Four years ago the Communists "captured" the Socialist Party of France. Having obtained a majority in a party convention, they secured possession of the "L'Humanité", the great Socialist daily founded by Jean Jaurès, the venerated and martyred tribune of the French proletariat. Largely through that powerful weapon, they retained the bulk of the party membership and adherents.

The Socialist Party of France was all but wrecked. Its membership was reduced to a handful, its political influence was insignificant. Today our French sister party has a dues-paying membership as large as that represented by the unified party in its best days before the split; it is in control of numerous important cities and has over 100 representatives in parliament. The Socialist Party is the determining factor in the political destinies in France. How was this miraculous change brought about? Our French comrades ascribe their success largely

to the effect of their party organ, "Le Populaire" This journal, which led a precarious and hectic existence of a few years as a daily newspaper of small circulation in Paris, was turned into a national bi-weekly about two years ago. It appears only once in a fortnight. But it goes to every party member. It is devoted to the discussion of party work, plans and problems and is full of timely and interesting campaign material. It establishes a steady and live contact between the party, its members and adherents and stimulates general interest and activity.

May we not hope that our American Appeal will do for our movement what La Populaire has done and is doing for our French comrades? It will, if we all rally to it with a determination to make it the best Socialist paper ever produced in America and to give it a wide and constantly growing circulation. The enterprise is full of hope and promise. Let us make the best of our opportunity, comrades.

THE MANAGING EDITOR'S MESSAGE

By Murray E. King

Managing Editor of the American Appeal

Fifteen years ago the most significant educational effort in the history of this country was at its height. A nation-wide volunteer propaganda army incessantly active centering around a weekly propaganda paper day and night, week in and week out assailed the citadels of capitalist thought.

Whatever we may think of some mistakes of The Appeal to Reason, however we may disagree with the form of its ownership and control and deplore the nature of its exit, undoubtedly it represented through its army one of the most splendid and significant developments in American life. Its passing has left a great silence and vacancy and want.

In a country founded on traditions of individualism where capitalistic thought has reached its peak of development, where material achievement and power have attained their zenith, the Little Old Appeal built up in its Army a real comradeship of high idealists committed in every thought and effort to a social cause. When the history of this country is finally written with true understanding there will

be a chapter about the Appeal Army which will hold a monumental place.

The Appeal Army arose, swept across the country, stirred the roots of thought and social faith as they had never been stirred before in this nation, created discussion on almost every cross-road, in almost every grocery store and shop and factory in the land, made great national issues, and finally dashed itself to pieces in the reversion to barbarism during the World War.

It was a revelation of human possibilities and values in this country. It was an undying pledge and promise to those who now must take up the great work of revolutionizing thought in America. It was the first great social-spiritual wave in this country. The next is due NOW.

Never was the time more propitious than now for building around a new propaganda paper a bigger and stronger and more enlightened propaganda army than the old Appeal Army. The old generation blasted both in its reason and its faith by the World

War is passing. A new generation untouched by that calamity is thrusting itself upon the scene under a new and more highly socialized environment. The world is in the midst of tremendous and stirring transition to the new social order. Every important prediction of the Socialists of fifteen, thirty and fifty years ago is being fulfilled. The meaning of the developments toward a new social system are so plain that they have acquired a new power in human thought. And all about us still are the fragments of the Old Appeal Army and the old Socialist Party propaganda force of fifteen years ago. **THE TIME HAS COME TO FORGE THEM INTO A NEW ARMY OF EDUCATION TO MEET THE NEW GENERATION AND THE NEW SOCIAL CONDITION.**

To this great task **THE AMERICAN APPEAL** is dedicated. Nothing can start this work but a paper capable of snatching from the tremendous class struggle of today and the tense situation of social change the moving, stirring, inspiring, convincing material which will reach the reader every week. Nothing but a **NEW APPEAL PROPAGANDA ARMY** incessantly spreading subscriptions and bundles of this kind of paper into every corner and cranny of the land will fulfill this work. **THE AMERICAN APPEAL** and **THE AMERICAN APPEAL ARMY**, each fulfilling these high requirements, can and will do this work.

They present the ideal combination to meet the present situation. Time has never produced a better instrument of social enlightenment than an inspiring, convincing, highly effective paper which reaches the reader every week and by repeated blows hammers

in the truth. Time never devised a better carrier for such an instrument of education than the voluntary propagandist who doubles the effectiveness of the paper by his activity and enthusiasm. This also is the easiest approach to the non-Socialist. Any one will take a thoroughly alive and interesting paper reflecting the significant struggles and developments of the day. Once the prospective convert is connected with such a paper Socialism has its strongest grappling hook on him.

Comrades, this is your supreme opportunity to do something really big and efficient for the Cause. Many Comrades each doing a little will create a new situation in this country in a few years. It is the simple and easy task which lies before us and which promises the biggest results. As you work your old faith and enthusiasm will revive. You will communicate it to others. The spiritual contagion will spread. The old days of comradeship, enthusiasm and social faith will return. We Socialists are not living for the future nearly so much as for adequate expression of our inmost lives in the present. Social faith, idealism and vision are as much a part of our present lives as our bread and butter. The stifling of these social and spiritual forces in us has been a profound tragedy attended with great suffering. It has been just as great a tragedy to the whole nation to the Socialists of this country. It has represented a national loss of incalculable value out of the present. Its continued loss spells renewed tragedy and suffering and disaster. In asking for a new consecration to the Cause from you, Comrades, **THE AMERICAN APPEAL** is pleading for the life of a nation.

THINK A MILLION

By George R. Kirkpatrick

Hail to those who refuse to die—too proud to whimper, too loyal to quit. Hail to those who held high our flag when in the late fierce years we marched thru hell. Hats off to those souls still warm and red with the deathless dream of the great new time. Hats off to those who say: "Name our duty." Precious remnant! Priceless minority!!

"When Time rings down the curtain on our age
And other eras come upon the stage,
God grant, O Future, there may ever be,
Among thy people, the Minority."

Now, once again, Comrades, "new occasions teach new duties," and demand the stuff of souls with courage. The situation is just this: You will begin now, right away, to decide the history of the

American Appeal and thus largely determine the course of the American Socialist movement—further down; or up, up, right on up, as our brave French Comrades have recently shown the way. Here is our duty and our way:

Think a million, think an American Appeal to be built up, right on up to a million subscribers, a paper to make millions intelligently wrathful toward the legalized wrongs of the capitalist system, intelligently resentful toward the fat-pursed crew of parasites that hang on the body of society, intelligently contemptuous of the pussy-footing time-servers too spineless to rebel; a paper to make millions coolly understand and coolly calculate the necessary industrial reconstruction of society. Think of a

sane, powerful, constructive, revolutionary, red-blooded paper going to every one of the twenty-seven hundred counties in the United States, a national propaganda paper, fighting the American battles of the international Socialist movement. Think this paper and make it begin strong. We must:

Begin strong and thus instantly become an inspiration, instantly enlist scores, hundreds, thousands of new workers and rouse and revive thousands of old-time workers;

Begin strong and promptly become a dauntless army, an Appeal Army.

Subscribe for The American Appeal the same day you read this issue of the Socialist World. On the same day examine your soul to discover whether you have—or have not—sufficient punch and personality to persuade two others to subscribe. Surely you are equal to two new subscribers. You will *not* admit that you are a faded 'weak sister'.

On the same day begin to collect, and collect

something every day anywhere, everywhere, for a bundle-order fund to make the total bundle-orders reach from 100,000 to 250,000 for the first issue. **THIS CAN BE DONE.** The Pittsburgh comrades, heaven bless 'em! are right on the job. They have definitely pledged 5,000 subscribers and have also already prepared to purchase a bundle-order of 5,000 copies. They are pretty sure to make their bundle-order 10,000 *for the first issue*. Every copy of the first issue will be handed round and round, reaching from three to a half dozen people. That will be amazing propaganda, will create friends for The American Appeal and produce subscribers. Thus our paper will begin strong. We must begin strong, strike fire, and attract attention; begin strong, win friends and serve notice on our enemies; begin strong, command respect, rouse the movement—and march, French fashion, *right on up the road to power*, a happy host of friends, again delighted, our hopes high, our heads up, our hearts beating true and hot in the sublime war of liberation.

EUGENE V. DEBS AT THE GUNS

Comrade Debs, in accepting the role of editor-in-chief of the American Appeal, counted upon you to go 50-50 with him, counted on an upstanding comradeship from you. He knows just how much energy he has for this work—now of first importance. He knows, too, how much energy and time will be required of him in the role of editor-in-chief in order to meet you 50-50 in making the paper you hope for, eagerly hope for, the paper you will gratefully read and proudly work for.

Comrade Debs will let nothing interfere with his high part in helping make the American Appeal an honor to and a weapon for our American Socialist movement. He is counting upon you, Comrades. You will not desert him. He will not desert you. He will pour his soul into the American Appeal. Will you meet him 50-50?

The gallant warrior of fifty years of battle calls you, calls you to your post. He will stick to his post in proud loyalty to his solemn pledge. He knows you expect this. You should know what he expects of you.

Read Comrade Debs' article. He declares, rightly, that the American Appeal will "do the work of a hundred organizers." As editor-in-chief his audience will be vastly larger than he can reach with lectures here and there, and only occasionally and locally. Get this reading audience, this surpassingly greater audience immediately for the best-loved orator that ever addressed the American workers.

The managing editor, Comrade Murray King, is now on the ground—here at the National Office, making every arrangement possible to the end that with the very first number the American Appeal shall make a powerful call to every Socialist in the land and instantly be recognized as a worthy national organ for the propaganda of Socialism. Comrade King, as managing editor, will go fifty-fifty with the editor-in-chief and with you also—to make the American Appeal an honor to our movement. Comrade King in slavish toil will gladly place his health in pawn for the success of the American Appeal. What will you do, comrade?

The business manager of the American Appeal will turn on full steam within a few days. He will put his life into his part of the work of making the American Appeal what you want it to be and into the work of extending its circulation to the very limit that this can be done from a newspaper office. Prepare now to answer him instantly, gladly, gratefully with an enthusiasm that will hearten him for the heavy work he will naturally have as his daily contribution to the movement we all love. If you want him to buck-up, be sure to show him some handsome samples of bucking-up yourself—won't you?—every time he addresses you, every time he calls for a show of hands, glad, cooperative hands.

For lack of space in the present 8-page issue of the Socialist World the Financial Report will be printed in separate form for information on request.

A TESTIMONIAL TO COMRADE BERTHA HALE WHITE

In the following testimonial, drafted by Comrade Debs, the National Executive Committee expresses its high appreciation of Mrs. White's many years of service in the National Office:

"In accepting the resignation of our National Executive Secretary, Bertha Hale White, the National Executive Committee gladly acknowledges its great obligation to Mrs. White, sincerely records its appreciation of her work and most fraternally expresses the affectionate regard which for many years we have felt for her.

"Immediately on becoming an employe of the National Office, Mrs. White began an industrious, serious and persistent study of every phase of the National Office as an institution needing from every one much more than is necessary for the half-mechanical performance of routine duties of a narrowly restricted department. Very soon she became invaluable because of her intimate and reliable knowledge of the working of the entire organization. This larger way of serving our organization has characterized Mrs. White's connection with the National Office from the first and has been gratefully and frankly acknowledged by the several National Secretaries under whom she has served. As our National Executive Secretary, Mrs. White has gen-

uinely distinguished herself as a capable executive officer, managing the office with high efficiency and representing the National Office with dignity and resourcefulness reflecting great credit upon our party.

"In the National Office during the war and following the war, and in the great general amnesty campaign Mrs. White's services were quite invaluable.

"No one has ever served in our National Office in any capacity with more intense industry, higher efficiency, finer tact, greater loyalty, or with greater force of will to the end that our organization might carry on in spite of any and all obstacles and under no circumstances lower our flag.

"Mrs. White's extreme care and resourcefulness in the financial management of the National Office have been a great relief to us and have won our gratitude and admiration.

"Her beautiful comradeliness, her never-failing, uncomplaining cooperation, her unusual dignity as our representative and her splendid personal worth have endeared Mrs. White to us, and we deeply and sincerely regret her decision to resign as our National Executive Secretary. We accept her resignation only because her health compels her to discontinue her services. Our affection for Mrs. White is equaled only by our feeling of gratitude and admiration for her truly beautiful and most capable cooperation with us."

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24th, 1912,

Of *The Socialist World* published Monthly at Chicago, Illinois, for Oct. 1, 1925
State of Illinois
County of Cook
ss.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared *Bertha Hale White*, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that she is the Editor of *The Socialist World* and that the following is, to the best of her knowledge and belief, a true statement of the Ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24th 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:

Publisher: Socialist Party of the United States, 2653 Washington Blvd.

Editor: Bertha Hale White, 2653 Washington Blvd.

Managing Editor: Bertha Hale White.

Business Managers: Bertha Hale White.

2. That the owner is: (if the publication is owned by an individual his name and address, or if owned by more than one individual the name and address of each, should be given below; if the publication is owned by a corporation the name of the corporation and the names and addresses of the stockholders owning or holding one per cent or more of the total amount of stock should be given).

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY

Victor L. Berger, 980 First St., Milwaukee, Wis.
John M. Collins, 809 N. St. Louis Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Leo M. Harkins, 1825 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Morris Hillquit, 19 W. 44th St., New York, N. Y.
James H. Maurer, 1855 N. 11th St., Reading, Pa.

Geo. E. Roewer, Jr., 20 Pemberton Sq., Boston, Mass.

Jos. W. Sharts, 805 Commercial Bldg., Dayton, Ohio.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgages, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other security are:
NONE.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders if any contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustee, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by her.

BERTHA HALE WHITE Editor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of October 1925.

(SEAL)

SWAN JOHNSON

Notary Public.

(My commission expires April 27, 1927).

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BERTHA HALE WHITE Bus. Mgr.

Mrs. White returned from the New York Committee meeting to the National Office and continued with her duties as Executive Secretary until November 4th, when, on the peremptory orders of her physician, she was forced to discontinue her work and go immediately in search of a milder climate in which she must take a much needed recuperative rest. Mrs. White will be absent from the National Office for several weeks on this vacation—the first she has had in six years.

Personal mail addressed to Mrs. White at the National Office will be forward to her promptly.

ORGANIZATION

The work of organization is going ahead encouragingly, particularly in California, Illinois, New York, New England, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The best recent news to the National Office is from Comrade Herman in California who reports that every week it is becoming appreciably easier to organize new locals and reorganize old ones. He has added three new locals in the last two weeks. State Secretary, W. R. Snow,

of Illinois, and Comrade Debs are now midway in the series of ten big rallies down-state in Illinois. Comrade Debs writes glowing accounts of the enthusiasm for the propaganda-and-organization results of the meeting. Comrade Stille is desperately busy attending to every detail in preparation for the ten meetings up state in New York. Comrade Birch Wilson very recently completed his engagement in Pennsylvania with four husky new locals immediately following the Debs rally at Scranton. In New England Comrade Lewis is hustling down the line with special success in promoting the American Appeal. A. O. Kennedy of Utah is calling for a lecturer-organizer for his Rocky Mountain Organization District. The Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania comrades have 5,000 subscriptions for the American Appeal, have also prepared to purchase a bundle order of 5,000 copies of the first issue, and are going right on with the business of making the bundle order as near as possible 10,00 copies. The morale, the courage, pep and determination of the Socialist movement are distinctly improving. We shall soon catch the old-time stride. Will you be in line? If you will 'come across' we can 'get away with it.'

GET A TICKET FOR THE FIGHT!

Subscribe for **THE AMERICAN APPEAL**

A Fighting Weekly

Eugene V. Debs, Editor-in-Chief

The American people really enjoy a fight, a gloveless fight—and they are going to get one every week.

THE AMERICAN APPEAL intends to fight, to fight with facts, to fight with arguments, to fight with the twentieth century weapon, the printing press.

THE AMERICAN APPEAL challenges its friends to stand forth and fight; calls for the first fighting regiment of the American Appeal Army.

THE AMERICAN APPEAL will not only fight but also, every week, carry thoroly constructive messages to Socialists and non-Socialists.

You are urged to get your ticket for the fight right away—subscribe right away; and also help roll up bundle orders for the first number totaling from 100,000 to 250,000 copies. Subscription rates: \$1.00 per year; 50c for six months.

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THE SOCIALIST PARTY

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Terre Haute, Ind.

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MINUTES OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING BRESLIN HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, OCTOBER 9-10, 1925

MORNING SESSION

Meeting called to order at 10:30 by National Chairman, Eugene V. Debs.

Present:

Eugene V. Debs, Indiana.
 Morris Hillquit, New York.
 James H. Maurer, Pennsylvania.
 George E. Roewer, Jr. Massachusetts.
 Leo M. Harkins, New Jersey.
 John M. Collins, Illinois.
 Bertha Hale White, National Executive Secretary.

George R. Kirkpatrick, Organizing Director.

Absent:

Victor L. Berger, Wisconsin.
 Joseph W. Sharts, Ohio.

The following telegram was read from Comrade Sharts:

"Greetings from darkest New Orleans where Socialism is unheard of and unknown. Regrets I cannot be with you but heartiest good wishes to all."

Leo M. Harkins elected reading clerk.

The following Agenda was submitted:

Resignation of National Executive Secretary.

Report:

(1) Organization; (2) Finance; (3) Regional Convention; (4) The American Appeal; (5) Communications.

The following letter of resignation was read:

To the National Executive Committee
 Dear Comrades:

With deep regret, I tender my resignation as National Executive Secretary of the Socialist Party, effective November 15.

I realize that my resignation should have been presented by correspondence so that the members of the committee could have considered the selection of my successor in advance of this meeting. In extenuation, I would explain that I have been very reluctant to give up my work and the delay was due to my own uncertainty in the matter.

My decision to resign before the end of the present term is not due to any dissatisfaction with the work and from this committee I have received unfailing consideration. My reasons are entirely personal, chiefly the question of health. Upon advice from my physician, rest and relaxation are imperative.

I place the date of my resignation at November 15th as I estimate it will require three or four weeks to clear away the correspondence delayed through my absence from the office and resulting from this meeting, and to have a final audit

"The American Appeal will be equal to a hundred organizers."—

Eugene V. Debs.

We can put this thing across easily— if YOU will stay in line and fight.

"Even tho in this fight Death daily leers in my face I will go with you, all the way, Comrades. Do I see any one wavering?"—

Eugene V. Debs.

made of the books of the National Office.
 Fraternally submitted,

Bertha Hale White
 Executive Secretary.

Discussion.

Motion by Roewer: That the matter of the resignation be referred to unfinished business, and made the first order of business in the afternoon session. *Carried.*

Organization report by Organizing Director George R. Kirkpatrick.

Discussion.

Motion by Hillquit: That the plan of Regional Organization Campaign as adopted at the previous meeting of this committee be discontinued and that the National Secretary be authorized to continue engaging individual organizers for such territories and upon such terms as the committee may, from time to time, decide.

Discussion — Action deferred.

Adjournment, to reconvene at 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Debs. Present as before.

Comrade Hodgson, general secretary of Local Philadelphia, was given the floor to report on the status of the Henderson meeting in Philadelphia.

Motion by Harkins: That the National Executive Committee co-operate with Local Philadelphia in trying to hold a meeting on October 28 in Philadelphia. *Carried.*

Report on Young People's Department by National Director, Aarne J. Parker.

Motion by Hillquit: To increase the appropriation to the Young Peoples' Department not to exceed \$50.00 per month. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: That Comrade White's resignation be accepted with deep regret, to become effective on January 1st, with one month's leave of absence with pay, and that the N. E. C. keep in touch with Comrade White and see that everything is done to help her restore her health. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: That the National Executive Committee express its deep appreciation of Comrade White and that Comrade Debs draft a testimonial to Comrade White on behalf of the Committee. *Carried.*

(The testimonial to Comrade White can be found on page 5, this issue).

Discussion on election of National Secretary.

Motion by Roewer: That the matter of electing the secretary be referred to unfinished business. *Carried.*

Discussion on Organization report.

Secretary read motion by Hillquit, submitted in morning session for discontinuance of Regional Organization Campaign. *Motion Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: That subject to the approval of the Forward Association, all unpaid salaries of organizers, including Comrade Debs, be paid out of the organization fund—and the balance be applied to regular organization work;—and that the additional sum of \$10,000 promised by the Forward be used exclusively for the purpose of the American Appeal. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: That Comrade Debs' salary for services be fixed at a weekly rate to take effect from the date his services began, the amounts to be fixed between Comrade Debs and the National Secretary, and that in addition thereto, Comrade Debs' expense for office maintenance be paid. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: To invite the same Forward Committee to meet with the N. E. C. tomorrow morning. *Carried.*

COMMUNICATIONS

From Alfred Baker Lewis on organization method.

From the Amalgamated Trust & Savings Bank, inviting the National Office to transfer its account.

Motion by Collins: To accept the invitation to deposit in the Amalgamated Bank. Motion seconded by Hillquit. *Carried.*

From California State Committee, urging the continuance of Emil Herman's work as District Organizer.

Motion by Roewer: That the Executive Secretary wire the State Committee that the N. E. C. intends to keep Comrade Herman in the field until the next meeting. *Carried.*

Motion by Harkins: To instruct the National Secretary to notify all states of action taken abolishing district organizers. *Carried.*

District Secretary, Warren Edward Fitzgerald, addressed the committee, requesting that Alfred Baker Lewis be retained as district organizer in New England.

Motion by Hillquit: That we appropriate a sum not to exceed the sum of \$300.00 to the New England District. *Carried.*

Communication from William H. Henry, proposing the removal of the National Office from Chicago to Indianapolis.

Motion by Collins: To receive and file.

Amendment by Hillquit: That the matter be referred to the next meeting of the N. E. C. and that Comrade White secure information and present it to the December meeting of the National Executive Committee. *Amendment carried.*

From Emil Herman, with suggestions, on organization work.

From Florence S. Hall, Secretary Executive Committee, Socialist Party of

100,000 sample copies of the first issue of the American Appeal would be read by at least 250,000—a quarter of a million—people. Pittsburgh alone will take at least 5,000 copies.

If 10,000 Socialists would skip three meals in the next six weeks and send the equivalent for a sample copies of the American Appeal we could reach a million people with the first issue, and thus be instantly upon our feet, rushing like a race horse, the nation astonished at our speed and power. Will you quit—or come across?

NOTE

This is the last issue of the "Socialist World" to be published under the present title. The title will be changed to "The American Appeal," published weekly beginning the first week of January, 1926.

Cook County, submitting a resolution by the committee.

Motion by Hillquit: That the resolution of Cook County be acknowledged by letter of explanation. *Carried.*

.....*Motion by Collins:* That Comrade Roewer write such answer. *Carried.*

From Swan Johnson, Attorney-at-Law, reporting present status of John Blaine bequest.

Motion by Hillquit: That our attorney be authorized to settle on the basis of 50%. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: To authorize the National Secretary in case of emergency to borrow from time to time from the Appeal fund an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to be replaced as soon as possible. *Carried.*

Adjourned to meet 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY SESSION

Meeting called to order by National Chairman Debs at 10 o'clock. Present as before.

Consideration of Agenda resumed.

THE AMERICAN APPEAL

Comrade William Morris Feigenbaum was granted the floor to discuss plans for promoting the paper.

Motion by Debs: That Murray E. King be selected as Managing Editor of the American Appeal. *Carried.*

Motion by Collins: That the salary of the Managing Editor be fixed at \$55 per week. *Carried.*

Discussion on selection of Business Manager for the American Appeal. Action deferred.

Motion by Hillquit: That the matter of transportation expenses be settled by the National Secretary and Comrade King. *Carried.*

Motion by Maurer: That the employment of Comrade King begin December 1st. *Carried.*

Motion by Roewer: That the salary of the Business Manager be \$55.00 per week and that he enter on his duties as soon as selected. *Carried.*

Motion by Maurer: That Comrade Kirkpatrick be elected as Assistant National Secretary until the next meeting of the National Executive Committee. *Carried.*

Motion by Hillquit: That we adjourn; that we meet in Chicago on Sunday December 19th at 10 A. M. *Carried.*

Motion by Maurer: That the selection of a Business Manager of the American Appeal be left to Comrades Hillquit and Roewer and that they report recommendations to the National Executive Committee. *Carried.*

Adjournment at 1:15, to meet in Chicago Saturday, December 19th.

Bertha Hale White, Sec'y.