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DEBS NEAR TO DEATH IN ATLANTA PRISON

His Spirit Remains Unbroken, but Poor Food and Confinement are Wearing Him Down

PRISON OFFICIALS ORDER SOCIALIST LEADER TO CEASE ALL LABOR AND CARE FOR HIS HEALTH; DOSES OF DIGITALIS GIVEN HIM DAILY TO STIMULATE HEART ACTION.

(By DAVID KARSNER, Staff Correspondent) ATLANTA, Ga. Oct. 16.—Eugene Victor Debs is in such physical condition at the Federal prison here, where he is serving a sentence of 10 years, that the prison officials have ordered him to cease all labor and take care of his health.

He is not permitted to indulge in any activities that would

cause him the least excitement. Digitalis is being given to him in daily doses to increase the action of flis heart.

And, on at least one occasion within the past few weeks, he has been made to saw wood in the prison yard by Dr. Edgar S. Bullis, assistant prison physician, to stimulate the beating of his

There is no denying the fact that Debs is in a serious condi-tion. The prison authorities do not attempt to conceal their fear-that the end may come to his life within the gray walls of the prison.

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Look Around, Brother!

DEBS DELIVERS BROADSIDE

(Special United Press Wire.)

"If I should get out of this prion today I would be in Gary or Pittsburgh tomorrow. That's exactly where I would go. Mr. Palmer, Mr. Whon and the capitalists know that perfectly well and that is the reason they keep

"I am not being kept here for the speech I made at Canton in June, 1918. I'm being kept here for the speech I would make at Gary or Pittsburgh in 1919."

Liberator Attorney, After Visit to Atlanta, Says the End is Near For Oene, But His Spirit Will Conquer the World.

The serious illness of Eugene V. Debs, which is steadily wearing him down in spite of his indomitable spirit, was made known a few days ago by Samuel M. Castleton, one of the Liberator attorneys, who has just returned from a visit to Gene at Atlanta Penitentiary. He is the mere ghost of his former self, he says, his eyes have lost their sparkle of life and his face is thin and worn. Mr. Castleton says that if Debs is not released at once Atlanta Penitentiary will be his tomb.
His letter follows.

THE LETTER:

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 4th, 1919.

My heart is sad today, for the slim and slender Gene is but he shadow, the mere ghost of his former self. Wednesday I ar-anged to have him bid Alex. Berkman "Good-bye," and when he rame into the warden's office I was frightened for I saw before me our beloved Gene looking gravely ill. He had a gray stubble of two days growth upon his sallow face. "His eyes seemed to have two days growth upon his sailow tace. His eyes seemed to nave lost their flashing sparkle of life, his face was taught and worn and his throat bagged. The physical Debs looked almost dead—and all our hearts were sad—in spite of Gene's inspiring, fighting spirit which he will keep until the very end. Debs will die fight-ing for the proletariat, with words of love for the workers on his lips. If Debs is not released from here at once the federal peni-

lips. If Debts is not receased from nere at once are reteural per-tentiary at Atlanta, Ga., will be his tomb. It is a physical im-possibility for him to hold out much engage. But he is consoled with his faith in the rank and file of his cormades nor irrimphantly winning the world, so that emancipated professionarias may work out destiny together.

How Debs wishes he could meet his comrades face to face talk to them once more before he leaves this world! How he oves life, his comrades, the Great Cause.

No matter what happens—Gene will remain true red to the rend. And it is the spirit of Debs that will conquer the ld. Gene feels that there are millions of comrades the world over looking for the new day, where there were but thousa before and he is happy because our great cause is meeting w

The personality of Debs has created a spiritual and mental olution at the Atlanta prison. Not only have the political prisrevolution at the Atlanta prison. Not only have the political pris-oners learned to love him more than ever before, but there are men who are braving the "HOLE" and other prison punishment to show him a little kindness, a token of good will and comrade only. There are prisoners there who would gladly serve Debs' ten that were possible

shall see Gene in the next few days and write again He sends his love to all the comrades. He still repeats "tell the boys I am all right."

SAMUEL M. CASTLETON.

C. L. P. OFFICIALS ARRESTED

Katterfeld, Baker, Bronstrup, Allison and Wagenknecht Held for Alleged Violation of the Criminal Syndicalist Law.

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Fugene V. Debs.

The chairman then adjourned the meeting, and this was the sign for action by the army of police, directed by the Loyal Amersign for action by the army of police, directed by the Loyal American League which is financed by the Chamber of Commerce. The five contrades above mentioned were immediately sugrounded; the grouns, stood by to see that the anticolan League, with hands upon applications for membership were seized, as was all other literature, and the national and local officials of the Communist Labor Party, together with the literature, were carted to jail. There the comrades were charged with "erminal syndical-time of commerce, will be lab before the grand jury.

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STEEL STRIKERS CONFIDENT

By CHARLES LAUE, Staff Correspondent.)
PITTSBURGH, Oct. 16.—Frequent soundings of the state nind of organizers and strikers coming to the headquarters of the

mind of organizers and strikers coming to the headquarters of the national committee for organizing iron and steel workers indicates a deep-rooted conviction that the steel strike will be successful. The spirit of youndence is amazing flag of the post from the Chicago and Buffalo and Youngstown districted evines even positive conviction that, no matter what the strike headquarters of the strike headquarters will win out. The strike headquarters will be strike the way the strike is holding in the Monographia valler.

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A fair test of the sincerity of a political organization profe revolutionary purpose is its attitude toward the L The best theorists are agreed that here in America, where the ma chine process is developed to a high degree, revolutionary industrial unionism—its propaganda and organization—is the major task of the movement. In the I. W. W. we are confronted not with eory merely, but the revolutionary industrial unionism it.

Its fourteen years of stern experience on the industrial bottlefield and its survival through the fiercest persecution establish it as a factor to be reckoned with in any plan for the unification and reorganization of the American Jafor movement.

Award and teergamatation of the American anor movement.

It has been the policy of the Socialist Party officialion to oppose the I. W. W, wherever the issue has been raised as between
t and the reactionary craft unions. The adoption of the infamous
"salvotage" clause in 1912 was for the express purpose of driving
I. W. W, members out of the party. The refusal of the New York
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Call to print a ploif advertisement, we restuant on the New York; who blook that the study of Econographic arrive for fear it would lose them some A. F. of L. votes was characteristic of the general policy of the moderal esocialists.

The I. W., W. has teen so engrossed in the concrete struggle that it has failed to keep abreast of revolutionary theory. This simple of the necessity to conquer the power of the state is a fundamental error. But the whole impulse of the organization is revolutionary. Its suspicion of anything "political" is born of sixther experience with politicians in the early days who sought to subspirate the proper functions of the industrial union to their armitions for place and power.

The way to overcome this suspicion is to join with them whole heardrelly in the industrial struggle. An attitude of suspicion of the place of the power is the subspirate water whole heardrelly in the industrial struggle. An attitude of suspicion is to the surface of the proper functions of the industrial struggle was the proper functions of the subspirate properties of the proper functions of the subspirate properties of the s

whole-heartedly in the industrial struggle. An attitude of su-perior aloofness will not do. Co-operation with the I. W. W. and all other virile elements in the labor movement with a view to their unification is the immediate task of the revolutionary po-

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To the Russian Socialist Soviet Republic, By F. W. Stella Brown, in the London "Call."

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ANOTHER UNITY RESOLUTION

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Communist Party, Chicago, III.
Comrades: Upon Friday, September
only the sent your convention the following communication:

No answer has, to date, been re-to ceived to this resolution, officially ad-ach dressed to your Party. By motion, just carried in the Communist Labor Party National Executive Committee, I am instructed to for ward to you the following communica

A. Bilan,
Max Bedacht,
Jack Carney,
Edward Lindgree
L. E. Katterfeld

Another local of 80 members was added to the Communist Labor Party's membership last Sunday. The local at Breezy Hill (a coal mining camp in Crawford County) held a meeting which (a coal mining camp in Crawford County) held a meeting which was addressed by J. L. Crawiston, county organizer and J. P. Can-non, district secretary. After a thorough consideration of the question a motion was carried by unanimous vote to affiliate with the C. L. P.

Leavenworth Affiliates.

A. L. Kunz, financial secretary, sent in the affiliation certifi-cate for Leavenworth a few days ago. He says 14 members have already signed up and that they expect to make it 40 in the next

Kansas City, Kansas, Joins Us.

Mrs. O'Sullivan, the live wire secretary of Local K. C. K. was in irs. O'Sullivan, the live wire secretary of Local r. C. a. was in the office Monday. She brought along the local's affiliation certificate and went back with a supply of dues stamps and supplies of it goes—one after another the local organizations repudiate the traitor Socialist Party and join with the Communist Labor Party for the Communist International

Horace, Kansas, affiliates

Horace, Kansas, has a small local, but it's red and that's the main thing. Lillian K. Bullard writes: "There are only four of us now, but we are unanimous in repudiating the reactionary right

KRIEGER CASE GRINDS ON.

(By EUGENE LYONS.)

Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 21.-The jury panel in the case of Charles Krieger has been eshausted, netting only eleven in the box; and several peremptory challenges are still unused. If there are 12 comparatively fair men in the County of Tulsa, Fred Moore will probably get them eventually by a process of elimination.

The anti-I. W. W. ritual established by the numerous prosect-

s of the last few years will not be deviated from by the Standard Oil lawyers directing the effort to jail Krieger. They have already given warning that I. W. W. literature will be introduced against the defendant, purporting to show that his beliefs prove him to be criminal-minded. As is customary, carefully trimmed extracts from pamphlets and books will be flaunted before an outriged jury. It is believed that no steps will be taken by the pros-ecution to supplement the literary collection by quotations from the Federal and State constitutions in reference to unabridged freedom of speech and thought, a thing now obsolete but of his-torical significance.

No Chance For Defense

Summarized, the trial to date looks as follows, and the sum-Motion by Krieger's attorneys for a change of venue. Denied

Motion by the defense to quash the jury panel, because of its

ference, and the break) instruct our no oily complexion. Denied.

Motion by the defense for a continuance of the case, in order copy every such installed run of the copy every such installed run of the copy of

Motion to dismiss the case. Denied.

No more motions were made; wherefore no more were denied.

Jurors Admit Prejudice.

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Charles Krieger follows the trial with a great deal of interest, but almost impersonally, as if he were watching an absorbing game of chess. Twenty-two months of imprisonment without trial have left their mark upon his face. He is haggard worn, but in full possession of his good sense and good humor.

The court room is crowded with spectators—members of the

The court room is crowded with spectators—members of the local Bar, representatives of the big business establishments, newspaper men, and just curiosity-mongers. The economic question is in the atmosphere. Strangely enough, the public attitude-originally one of bitter antagonism—is gradually mellowing. With all their faults the people of Tules have a certain sporting sense which leads them to admire the I. W. W. for their "ranmeneas," their relentless fighting spirit: Perhaps they had figured on an easy victory over the boy, and are surprised to observe the op-nosition.

Not a War Case.

Not a War Case.

Krieger is, charged under the state law with having instigated the explosion which destroyed the front porch of J. Edgar
Pew, an oil magnate connected with the Standard Oil Company,
His case is therefore unique in that it is a criminal prosecution
and not a war case. It is interesting to note, however, that the
same procedure is being adopted in the effort to railroad him as
was used in the Federal cases.

Branch 496 of the Workmen's Circle will give a Rell on the th of November at Pasco Hall. More narticulars will be given ext week's issue of the Workers' World.