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NEWS OF THE WEEK
None in all the week's news were so widely heralded for workers as the news that the daily capitalist press.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6
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SUNDAY, JUNE 10
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STILL STANDING ALONE
The Socialists of Germany are still standing alone in their opposition to the barbarism of war in that nation. Their most recent effort has been to strenuously oppose the cruel and inconsiderate treatment of German soldiers by their officers.

KEEPING ALIVE
One of the first acts of Chicago's health commissioner was to agree to 50 children, between the ages of 7 and 12, caught driving in the waste boxes and garbage cans of the South Water Street Market.

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BURDENS BORNE BY LABOR
By ROBERT HUNTER

LABOR bears the burden of creating wealth by work and it bears the burden of creating death by idleness.

When Labor has the chance of filling the land with that fleeting thing called prosperity it toils day and night.

AND THEN suddenly the mills, mines and factories close, the market is glutted, orders cease; for Labor has produced more products than men can sell.

THE BURDEN of toil is heavy but what is that to this new burden of idleness, the most terrifying and ruthless burden of all.

AND AS Labor cannot live except when wages are earned, idleness means want and dread uncertainty and hungry babies and anxious wives.

EVEN IN one year of prosperity, so the Census tells us, over two million men are unemployed from July to four months in the year.

THAT STRONG, brawny men, capable of producing more wealth than they themselves receive should be denied the opportunity to produce that wealth!

WAS EVER there anything before in the world like this? That shoeless bakers capable of producing bread should stand helpless before hungry shoe-makers capable of producing shoes!

I ASK YOU was there ever anything before in the world like this? Yet there is no means known to this human society of ours whereby those workers can labor to feed and clothe each other.

THEY MUST stand and wait. They know not how long, but long enough until the industrial machine begins its work again.

FOR IN this day of ours these men have no fields or homes or tools of their own.

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This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

WHAT CAUSES WARS? (From The Appeal to Reason.)

"I take it that every sane person realizes that nations do not go to war because they hate each other. They go to war because their commercial interests come in conflict."

LOOK HERE, now - you're wrong! I know you're wrong, because when you read this statement you will instantly attribute it to a Socialist.

MR. CARR states a common truth, that is commonly known, commonly spoken, and uncommonly neglected. Everyone who can recognize truth then it is blazoned largely across the world.

ON OUR DEAR old newspaper clipping that covertly conveys the truth about the relation of commercialism toward war in every line.

IT IS WELL stated, "that civilization is at present rudimentary, and that the crops this year (1914) are the most abundant ever produced."

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INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL DEMOCRACY
By EUGENE V. DEBS

FIRST OF ALL, allow me to quote with approval the following paragraph from "An Introduction to Sociology" by Arthur Morrow Lewis:

THE NEXT great change in history will be, must be, the socialization of the means of our common life. Privately owned industry and production for individual profit are no longer compatible with social progress and have ceased to work out to humane and civilized ends.

WITH ALL its marvelous progress through invention and discovery and all its monumental achievements in the arts and sciences, this world of ours has not yet learned how to feed itself. That is the problem of problems now confronting us more and more insistently and until that is solved the world is halted and it will either resume its march toward industrial and social democracy or be shaken to its foundations and into possible chaos by violent explosion.

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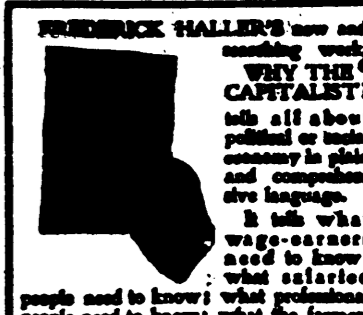
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THEY KNOW THEIR MASTERS

While the investigations of freight and passenger rates were in progress in March, some of the Western newspapers came out with a glaring headline to the effect that the railroads were losing \$4,000,000 annually in the middle west because of the two-cent fare...

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MAY

Table with columns for various departments and their financial reports for May. Includes sections for 'REVENUE ACCOUNTS', 'ASSETS', 'LIABILITIES', 'APPROPRIATIONS', 'SUNDRY CREDITS', 'NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS', 'WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT', 'YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPT.', 'AMERICAN SOC. DEPT.', 'LABORERS DEPT.', 'FORUM DEPT.', 'OPERATING EXPENSES', and 'SPECIAL'. Total revenue for May is \$4,127.45.

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NEW NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAKES BIG PLANS IN GREAT CAMPAIGN FOR SOCIALISM IN 1916

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Physicians have advised James Keir Hardie, the British Socialist warrior against war, to retire from active work for at least six months. At Bunkirk, N. Y., there was an election called to pass upon the commission form of government. The Socialists were the only party to take a definite stand against the commission form of government.

ROLL OF HONOR

- W. B. BROWN, Missouri, got on the list of the American Socialist. GEORGE M. LIVING, North Dakota, got on the list of the American Socialist. J. J. OODY, Kansas, got on the list of the American Socialist.

LABOR ALWAYS THE VICTIM

By A. M. SIMONS

WHAT shall we do with our ex-presidents? This is a question that since the foundation of this government has always been a subject for debate when other subjects failed.

Just now we have found a use for the two we have. They are both working for the armament trust. Roosevelt is playing the part of the blatant, blatherskite press agent. Taft is filling the place of ponderous advocate.

Taft prides through a forest of words in The Saturday Evening Post on the one popular topic of the day. "We want a bigger army and navy." He admits he knows nothing of the subject. He proves it frequently throughout his steeple sermon.

REPLY TO TAFT

Bravely fighting, but because the spirit of the enemy had entered into its ranks and rotted away its life. That magnificent Socialist movement, the greatest and best organization of the workers ever created, in all the long ages from the time of the first slave rebellion, helped to forge its own chains.

HE IS EQUALLY CLEAR

in his explanation of why we need more arms and munitions, although he is quite clear and correct on one point and that is that he is against the Socialists, because Socialists oppose war.

THIS PLATITUDE

of Taft's is but the smallest expression of the most tremendous press campaign this press-ruler and press-agent world has ever imagined.

AS A RESULT OF THE WAR

in Europe and to defeat the machinations of speculators, the State government of New South Wales has commanded all the wheat, for which \$1.20 a bushel is paid, the government sell the wheat to the consumers at \$1.32 per bushel, the 12 cents additional being charged to defray the expense of handling the cereal.

INCREASE OUR PLANS FOR 1918 CAMPAIGN

Charles Hammer, secretary of the Socialist Party of Lyons, Pa., has sent to a list of Socialists just four feet long, but it lists are members of the United Mine Workers of America.

This is in response to our plea for names of Socialist sympathizers in the labor unions. The lists are beginning to come in. We want these names for our campaign to make more Socialists now, so that we can enter the 1918 campaign with a big fighting army.

THE 20th CENTURY BUYING PLAN

The mail-order method is the greatest means of distribution at a low expense and is a very profitable one. There are two large concerns in Chicago alone, that are concrete testimonials of that.

TELEGRAPHER BOOMED!

The telegrapher seems doomed. The New York Call says a new machine was installed in one of the daily newspaper offices in that city and four telegraphers were let out.

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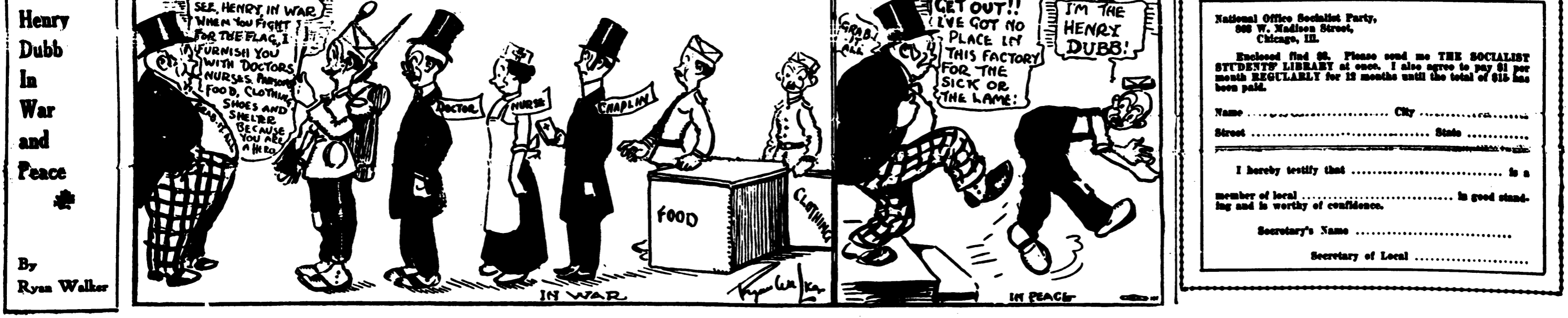
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