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# WORLD EVENTS

Happenings of Interest to All Who Desire to Keep Abreast of the Times.

shortages in the allied nations. The same time a state wide shortage of only grounds for optimism is found coal. in the reports that Germany is in even graver straits.

Food Administrator Hoover and other government officials plan fur-ther legislation to extend the President's powers to enforce the conservation of food. Among other subjects comes up the question of a law com-SEVEN OHIO SOC

pelling public eating houses to observe wheatless and meatless days. We assert there are many "private" eating places which have observed these holy days for some time, with a "sweetless" day thrown in accession.

The Bolsheviki commander-in-chief, Ensign Krylenko, has begun raising a While postal employes remain unvolunteer army. This army, he says, derpaid and find great opposition will be used not only against the bour-from postal authorities in their engeoisie of Russia and against Germany if the peace negotiations fail, but to liberate the proletariat of other continental European countries as

Shall Ohio have a \*Cossack army? An organization calling itself "Veterans of Foreign Wars" is distributing literature displaying the beauties of Cossack rule, and with the hope of overcoming the prejudice existing in the minds of labor union men and the workers generally. The Cleveland News reports Commander Hunter as saying, "The force would be directed exclusively by the head of a state department of police, responsible to the governor." As for us, we prefer a police force directly responsible to the workers and other useful citizens.

The recent overwhelming vote against conscription in Australia is the cause of the resignation of the en-tire cabinet. This is the second time conscription has been defeated in Aus-

Revolution is spreading. Recent reports from Spain indicate that country is in the midst of an economic crisis which is resulting in a distinct revolutionary movement. Establishment of martial law may be instituted ary spirit of the people.

The daily press reports Republican leaders as being opposed to the sec-tion of the President's message providing free trade after the war, insisting American industries must be protected. From what, we ask.

German workers in huge numbers demanded that their government make peace with Russia. Immense throngs filled the streets of Berlin, Essen and Leipsig when the peace parley was recently broken off. Their cry was, "We want peace." part is threatened, its spokesman, the daily press, comes to the rescue. This explains the showers of gratitude,

The nations' President supports the federal amendment for woman's suffrage. Perhaps this action of the President is in line with the acts of other heads of governments who "feel the force and thought of the people." Anyway if this country intends sending any more commissions to Russia to lead her along the pathway of democracy, it is at least fitting that we keep somewhere within hearing distance of her footseps. Russian women have enjoyed the franchise since the overthrow of the czar. Of course, we have no czar to over-

England's attorney general, Sin Frederick Edwin Smith, predicts the war is in its last stages and will end as soon as the central powers realize President Wilson's peace terms are the best they will get.

In an editorial regarding the present censorship of war news under con-trol of the "intelligence department," Bread and proceed is the cry Strikes. the Cleveland News of Jan. 9th says, "In other words, censorship as we have it openly attempts to make the American people THINK AS IT WOULD HAVE THEM THNK, bas-ing their judgment on SUCH FACTS AS IT PERMITS THEM TO GET, embracing as their settled convictions SUCH ERRORS AS SUIT ITS CON-VENIENCE. Because we are fighting will take the coduct of the war out of to "make the world safe for democracy," we are expected to submit to a DICTATION OF PUBLIC OPINION THRU SUPPRESSION OF FACTS as autocratic as any performance of Prussian despotism—indeed, a virtual duplicate of the government-controlled press that has so welded the German people to their Junker government that civilization is compelled to destroy the one to exterminate the other."

With each succeeding storm of winter the charity associations are flooded with requests for food, clothes, fuel and bedding. Hungry yesterday, cold today, naked tomorrow—the three fates which dog the steps of the worker from the cradle to the grave.

The inefficiency of capitalism was

The food situation in Europe is cars a day, had only been able to obgrowing worse day by day. American tain 113 cars for the month, thus engovernment officials are given deep tailing great suffering among the concern because of recent reports or miners by lack of work and at the

Comrade Scott Nearing, member of the Socialist Party of Ohio, called upon President Wilson and Attorney General Gregory recently, to have them remove from office Thomas D. McCarthy, United States Marshal for the southern district of New York. Marshal McCarthy attended a meeting of the People's Council where he stated among other things: "If this war lasts much longer there may be war lasts much longer there may be We assert there are many "private" hemp picnics in Central Park for eating places which have observed these holy days for some time, with a "sweetless" day thrown in occasionally and without any legal compulsion either. ly of mob violence."

> deavor to organize a union, Postmaster Burleson piles up a surplus of nearly ten million dollars, the largest in the hsitory of the postal service. The surplus, however, is accumulated at the expense of service it is claimed, tons of mail awaiting delivery to the soldiers in camps and in France.

> President Frank J. Hayes and other officials of the United Mine Workers were ordered by the Supreme Court were ordered by the Supreme Court to show cause why they should not be declared in contempt of court for violating injunctions restraining them from attempting to organize employes of the Hitchman Coal and Coke Co., of Wheeling, W. Va., in 1907, when Federal Judge Dayton declared the miners union an illegal organization miners union an illegal organization.

> Captain Frank P. Harding, sailing ship owner, recently returned from a voyage to South America, is quoted as saying, "South America is practically forced to be with the allies, because she is so much dependent upon them for manufactured goods." Just another instance of the Socialist contention that the manner in which we get our living determines our attitude on all questions, including war.

At last the Cossack is receiving his innings. It was at one time a favorite indoor sport of the press of the country to point to the czar and his henchmen, the Cossacks, as the last word in cruelty, bloodshed and general hell. All this is changed now. The czar has gone the way all autocrats must go and is about forgotten. In his place sits the representatives of a political and industrial democracy. The Cossack, however, remains for a while, following his age-long vocation of fighting the onward sweep of liberty, in the pay of what remnant of reactionaries remains in Russia. Capitalism is one the world over, and as one explains the showers of gratitude, adulation and brotherly love so suddenly heaped upon the Cossacks these days by the capitalist press of Amer-

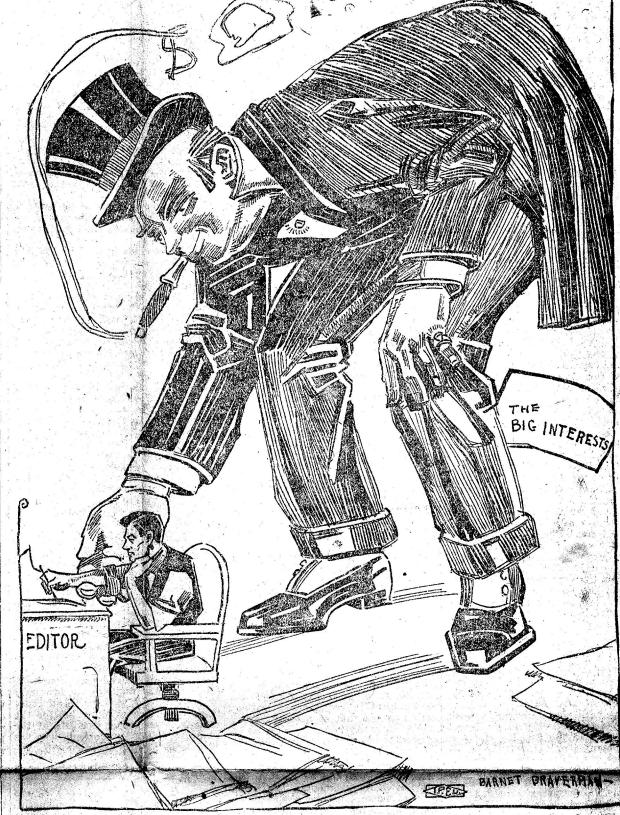
Violations of the Garfield "shutdown" order were many. And were the owners of the industries who violated this order and the hundreds of stockholders that registered good sized kicks against it—were they called pro-German, traitors? Were they? Kaiser lovers,

The Russian Socialists have dissolved the constituent assembly force. The reason given is that its majority is composed of elements of the Kerensky type, who desire to fool the people with fine phrases instead of following the revolutionary program of a division of the land among the peasants and the industries for the

Two million people are now taking Bread and peace is the cry. Strikes are taking place in all large cities. Production of war munitions is crippled.

The hottest conflict since the declaration of war is now toking place between the President, who is supporting Baker, and congressmen who the hands of the socretary of war.

Socialist representatives from Russia, members of the Bolsheviki, are on their way to attend the trial of 166 I. W. W. members in Chicago.



# What Do You Feed Your Brains?

Or to state it more in accord with facts-WHAT DO THE INTERESTS FEED YOUR BRAINS? Do you intend to live wholly upon the poison which the enemy places before you? Or do you intend to permit the "Ohio Socialist" to keep you posted upon events as seen thru the eyes of Socialists?

Plans are being made to place candidates in 600 districts and in this way capture England for the workers. Russian, Belgian and French delegates are in attendance.

Roosevelt is in Washington laying fences—the kind that will get him the Republican nomination in 1920.

Republicans and Democrats are not going to combine in this state to defeat the Socialists, so a news item reads. Very well, say we, for either way we win.

Geneva, Jan. 24.—A mutiny has broken out in the Vienna garrison and the soldiers refused to fire on mobs that were destroying property, according to information from the frontier today.

London, Jan. 24.—A revolution has broken out in Vienna, according to information received today from Petrograd. The revolutionists are attempting to seize all government power in the dual monarchy and have organized a provisional government, the dispatch added.

Information of the revolt was received by the Bolshevik government at Petrograd from Austro-Hungarian soldiers on the eastern front.

Philip Scheidemenn, leader of the German majority Socialists, said in a speech before the Main Committee of the Reichstag, according to the Vor-

"The German government is playing wih fire; Germany's situation is but little different from Austria's."

The Bolsheviki merchantship Shilka, which paid a recent visit to the port of Seattle, was given an ovation as she pulled away from the docks. During the time she lay in port the sailors and officers abroad fraternized Arthur Henderson of the Independ-out Labor party of England says that speeches in their hall and giving them the convention of the party now in interviews on conditions in Russia, session means revolution and peace since the workers took control.

#### We Don't Believe You

Do you mean to tell us that you still owe dues Socialist. for the year 1917? Do you mean to say that you so far forgot yourself as to fail to square up with the party the first of the new year? Do you mean to say that portrayed vividly recently by a committee of miners who called upon Governor Cox. The Hisylvania Co., they stated, with a capacity of thirty estly, comrade, we can't believe it!

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# LENINE, THE MAN, HIS IDEAS

By a Russian Social Worker from the January Number of Current History Magazine of New York Times.

More than one clue to the meaning gradual growth of Bolshevism in the ists must pay the workers for their of the Bolsheviki upheaval in Russia industrial centres of Russia under the days of service in the militia. is to be found in the life of Lenine, its leading spirit. Until a few weeks of Lenine. The movement gained in but every step of every officer and its leading spirit. Until a few weeks ago it did not matter very much who as in 1913 the Bolsheviki sent six repagated in general must be subject to control by special soldiers' committees. Lenine was, or what his ideas were, resentatives to the Duma. but when soldiers, workmen, and peasants have suddenly translated Lenine was in Cracow, at that time every respect indispensable. The sol-

may be left unanswered for the present. He undoubtedly received facilities immediately arrested him on susties from the German government to return to Russia from Switzerland immediately after the revolution in had no connection with the czar's defense" in Russia. March, but what motive prompted the government he was released and per-German authorities to pick an arch- mitted to go to Switzerland, where he datory international treaties concludenemy of all autocrats for such privilege is something of a mystery. Cerof the successful revolution caused France, etc., for the strangling of tainly Lenine's previous career does him to endeavor to return to Russia, Persia, the division of China, Turkey,

Nikolai Lenine was born at Simbirsk, in Central Russia, in the year 1870, and he is thus now 47 years of age. His real name is Vladimir Il-itch Ulyanov, and Lenine is only one Bolsheviki program. This program tion be freed from the yoke of its own of the several aliases which he, like other revolutionists, has found it necessary to adopt at various times. A recent events has become an important for the capitalist governments the task of extending the capitalist governments the task of extending the capitalist governments are capitalist governments. son of a government official employed tant document for the understanding pressing the desire of the nations for in the department of public instruction, Lenine received his preliminary education in his home town. In his early twenties he went to Petrograd to continue his studies in the politi-cal science department of the Petrograd University. Here he at once became affiliated with a group of radical students who took an active interest in the political and social prob-lems of the day. His brother, A. Ulyanov, also a stu-

dent of the same university, was already a member of the Populist party violence against the existing authori-1887 this brother was arrested and charged with participation in a "terliminaries he was condemned to death party and which represents class-con- ants' delegates and in the form of and was hanged shortly thereafter. Lenine was also arrested at the same time, but was released, as there was no evidence found against him. This arrest, however, caused his expulsion from the university.

At this time the Russian Social Democratic movement was still in its and Peasants' delegates must at once infancy. Underground propaganda and organizing were carried on among factory employes by the enlightened and decliric intelligentatic related. and idealistic intelligentsia pledged to the "cause." It was then that Lenine spent his Sundays in a circle of and Peasants' delegates; abolition of uneducated workmen, explaining to the standing army and the police; subthem the elements of Socialist ecostituting for them an armed people; nomics and the fundamentals of the officials to be not only elected, but teachings of Karl Marx.

Along with the propaganda work, not to exceed that of a good worker. affecting the future development of Russia, and delving into the historic No support should be moment of an acute polemic discussion between the Narodniki (Populists), who contended that the economic development of Russia will dif-fer from that of Western Europe, and the Marxists, who accepted the Social Democratic point of view. Even at present this book is considered a valuable document in Russian economic literature.

Because of his Socialist activities Lenine was compelled to leave Russia on several occasions. Switzerland. France and Austria were the countries of his temporary domicile. From these foreign posts he directed the work of one of the factions of the Social Democratic party, developing a leadership of great power and initia-

In 1901-2 he was on the editorial staff of Iskra (Spark), a Social Democratic publication. Several brochures on the agrarian question and on the development of industrialism in Russia were written by him during the same period. His pamphlet, "The Problems of the Russian Social Demo'crats," was commended by the leaders of the Russian Social Democracy as the clearest exposition of the aims of the Russian working-class movement.

A definite stand as to its program and policies was made by the Lenine faction at a general Russian Socialist convention held in the summer of 1903. This was the time when the word "Bolsheviki" was coined, meaning the majority that voted in accord with Lenine's proposal. In fact the word "Leninism," used as a synonym for Bolshevism, and representing a certain factional Marxism, occurs very frequently in the Russian press.
A direct actionist, Lenine believed

in the seizure of political power by means of a violent revolution and establishing a proletarian government. Then only, he held, could there be accomplished an economic readjustment of the country, bringing with it a more equitable social order. Also, as a thorough Marxian, he had utmost faith in the ultimate triumph of the

proletariat. After the revolution of 1905 and the reaction that followed, the Lenine faction dwindled down to but a few emigres and it seemed as if Bolshevism was destined to die out. But in 1911-12, when the spell of the reaction began to break up, and when, with the awakening, a new spirit began to permeate the political and social life of Russia a sudden impetus to renewed activities was given to the Bolsheviki. This may also be explained by the fact that the leaders of this faction were the first to understand the momentuous significance of this national resurrection. They immediately set to work, and the first Socialist daily paper, Pravda (the Truth), was one of the results of their efforts. Undoubtedly this daily has exercised considerable in uence upon the working masses, who rallied to it and gave it their whole-hearted support. Since then there has been a

him to the highest office in the land, it he headquarters of the organization diers will obey only the powers of the organization diers will obey only the powers of the organization diers will obey only the powers of their own choice; they can respect no of his career should be known. The question whether or not Lenine remembered that Lenine, like other. The Bolsheviki are absolutely opis a tool of the German government revolutionary leaders, was compelled posed to al imperialist wars and to all remained until March, 1917. The news ed between the czar and England, not suggest him as very pliable ma-terial for German intrigue.

and the German government gave Austria, etc. him the necessary permission to pass

The Bolsh

statement the chief grouping of political parties in Russia are:

1. The representatives of the feudal landholders and the more conservative sections of the bourgeoise.

order. Only genuine revolutionaries may be trusted.

The peasants must at once take all

have industrial interests.

3. The Socialist group, which rep- not permissible. resents the small entrepreneurs, small (Narodniki) which secretly advocated middle-class proprietors, more or less the general Councils of Peasants' delwell-to-do peasants, petite bourgeoise, egates, for the wealthy peasants are about the abolition of autocracy. In submitted to a bourgeoise point of always inclined to injure or deceive

scious workers, day laborers, and the special Councils of delegates of the poorer strata of peasantry, which are grouped with them as the semi-pro-We must at once etraiat.

The Bolshevist platform, as outlined by Lenine, reads as follows:

The Councils of Workers', Soldiers'

stituting for them an armed people; also subject to recall and their pay

Lenine plunged deeply into research and studies of the Russian statistics and economics, particularly the phases and Peasants' delegates. There must

called as soon as possible, but it is their own "centrists," and strengthen the power of the Countional which is necessary to the nacils of Workers', Soldiers' and Peas- tions. ants' delegates by organizing and armying the masses.

ype and a standing army are absoutely unnecessary. Immediately and the people should be introduced, so out the greater part of this program that they and the militia and the army and in some cases have apparently

Officers must not only be elected

The arbitrary removal by the sol-At the outbreak of the war in 1914 diers of their superior officers is in

The Bolsheviki are against the pre-

The Bolsheviki are against annexthrough Germany.

On his arrival in Petrograd Lenine government to renounce annexations gathered together his followers and is a huge fraud. To expose it is very hydemanding that each national company is a huge fraud.

All monarchies must be abolished. Revolutions do not proceed in fixed

2. The Constitutional Democrats the land from the landholders. Order (Cadets) and other liberal groups must be strictly maintained by the representing the majority of the bourgeoise, that is, the captains of in-production of bread and meat must be dustry, and these land and the all in the state of the land from the landholders. Order must be strictly maintained by the representation of the land from the landholders. Order must be strictly maintained by the representation of the land from the landholders. dustry and those landholders who increased and the soldiers better fed. Destruction of cattle, of tools, etc., is

It will be impossible to rely upon 4. The Bolsheviki, who ought properly to be called the Communist party, which is at present toward in the farm, hands, day laborers and the poorer peasants. We must at once form special organizations of these rorist" plot to wreck the imperial train carrying Alexander III. After party, which is at present termed the latter classes of the village popularized trial and without many pre-

We must at once prepare the Councils of Workers' delegates, the Councils of Delegates of Banking Employees and others for the taking of all such steps as are feasible and completely realizable toward the union of all banks in one single national bank, and then toward a control of the Councils' of Workers' delegates over the banks and syndicates, and then toward their nationalization; that is their passing over into the possession of the whole people.

The only Socialist international, establishing and realizing a brotherly union of all the workers in all countries, which is now desirable for the nations is one which consists of the really revolutionary workers, who are capable of putting an end to the awful and criminal slaughter of nations, capable of delivering humanity from Russia, and delving into the historic mission of the working and peasant classes. His first essay, entitled "The Economic Significance of the Populist Movement," was published in 1895. "The Development of Capitalism in Peasants' delegates.

No support should be given to the yoke of capitalism, provisional government. The whole of the people (groups, parties, etc.) as the German Socialist, Karl Liebknecht, now in a German jail; only people who will tirelessly struggle with their own government and their own bourge-oise and their own social patriots, and No support should be given to the the yoke of capitalism. Only such necessary to increase the members immediately establish that interna-

> The fraternization between soldiers of the warring countries, at the front, A police force of the conventional must be encouraged. It is good and indispensable.

It will be noticed that the Bolshev unconditionally a universal army of iki have actually attempted to carry shall be an integral whole. Capital succeeded, at least temporarily.

#### TROTZKY'S MESSAGE TO THE WORKERS

Note: The following is reprinted from "The Bolsheviki and the World Peace," by Leon Trotzky, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Russian Revolutionary Govern-This book is being printed in serial form by capitalist newspapers in all parts of the country. Locally the articles are appearing in the Cleveland News and Sunday Leader.—Editor.

"Immediate cessation of the war." is the watchword under which the Social Democracy can reassemble its scattered ranks, both within the national parties, and in the whole International. The proletariat cannot make its will to peace dependent upon the strategic considerations of the general staffs. On the contrary, it must oppose its desire for peace to these military considerations. What the warring governments call a struggle for national self-preservation is in reality a mutual national annihilation. Real national self-defense now consist in the struggle for

Such a struggle for peace means for us not only a fight to save humanity's material and cultural possessions from further insane destruction. It is for us primarily a fight to preserve the revolutionary energy of the proletariat.

To assemble the ranks of the proletariat in a fight for peace means again to place the forces of revolutionary Socialism against raging, tearing imperialism on the whole front.

The conditions upon which peace should be concluded—the peace of the peoples themselves, and not the reconciliation of the diplomats—must be the same for the whole International.

No contributions.

The right of every nation to self-determination. The United States of Europe-without monarchties as one of the means of bringing as well as those workers who have of the same capitalist class that is ies, without standing armies, without ruling feudal castes, without secret diplomacy.

The peace agitation, which must be conducted simultaneously with all the means now at the disposal of the Social Democracy as well as those which, with a good will, it could acquire, will not only tear the workers out of their nationalistic hypnosis; it will do the saving work of inner purification in the present official parties of the proletariat. The National Revisionists and the Socialist patriots in the Second International, who have been exploiting the influence that Socialism has acquired ever the working masses for national militaristic aims, must be thrust back into the camp of the enemies of the workingclass by uncompromising revolutionary agitation for peace.

The revolutionary Social Democracy need not fear that it will be isolated, now less than ever. The war is making the most terrific agitation against itself. Every day that the war lasts will bring new masses of the people to our banner, if it is an honest banner of peace and democracy. The surest way by which the Social Democracy can isolate the militaristic reaction in Europe and force it to take the offenof the people must be prepared for German Socialist, Karl Liebknecht, sive is by the slogan of Peace.

> The revolutionary epoch will create new forms of organization out of the inexhaustible resources of proletarian Socialism, new forms that will be equal to the greatness of the new tasks. To this work we will apply ourselves at once, amid the mad roaring of the machine guns, the crashing of cathedrals, and the patriotic howling of the capitalist jackals. We will keep our clear minds amid this hellish death music, our undimmed vision. We feel ourselves to be the only creative force of the future. Already there are many of us. more than it may seem. Tomorrow there will be more of us than today. And the day after tomorrow millions will rise up under our manner, millions who even now, sixty-seven years after the Communist Manifesto, have nothing to lose but their chains.

Terms for these speakers are \$5.00 a meeting and expenses. Locals can ther write the state office for a speaker or write direct to speakers, selecting he one nearest to them whenever possible in order to save expense. There are probably other comrades whose names do not appear upon this list who could fill occasional speaking engagements. These comrades should send

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#### LOCAL MANSFIELD SCORES THE "APPEAL"

The following resolutions were passed at a recent meeting of Local

When, in the fight for true democracy, both industrial and political, there is found to be a traitorous or reactionary element in the ranks of becomes necessary in order to con- ages. tinde the class struggle along the proper lines, to dispose of said ele-ment, and whereas, the Appeal to Reason, a privately owned socalled socialist paper has proven itself to be such a reactionary element and a traitor to the proletariat and to humanity in general, therefore, be it resolved, that we, the membres of Local Mansfield in regular meeting assembled, go on record as opposed to the attitude taken by said paper and pledge ourselves not to support this or any other reactionary that may appear within our ranks from time to

#### THE FERDINAND LASALLE CLUB POINTS THE WAY

Want to know how to increase your local membership from 50 to 194? Then read what Otto F. Hoefer, secretary of the Ferdinand Lasalle club (German Socialist Branch, Cincinnati)

during the last six months. Hope that this is satisfactory to your office. We We will have, next Tuesday, an election of officers, and should I be reelected secretary, then I assure you that within the next six months we will initiate another 144 applicants for membership. This shall be my slo-

The report enclosed shows that during the last six months this branch admitted 144 members. Six months ago its membership numbered less than 50 Today the total members number 194 with 176 in good stand-ing. Of the 144 new members admit-Otto Hoefer secured 51, Ferdid Hoefer 22, Emil Schulz 21, Wm.

And have you now found out how sub list in the meantime. cal? Well, all you need to do is to work to increase you membership. JUST WORK, THAT'S ALL. Then get to work for the best cause humans ever worked for.

#### From Socialist Workers

Comrade C. M. Johnson is the champion literature distributor around Sharon Center. "I can't go about with ease unless my pockets are full of dope for the unconverted," he writes. There is a moral here. Need we point

"I can assure you that beginning February 1st, monthly reports will reach you in time," is a line from a letter from Comrade Karl Wulff of Cincinnati We suggest that all local secretaries follow suit.

An encouraging letter concerning a stronger party owned press is to hand from Comrade Brandstetter of Cincinnati. "This is the greatest weapon we have and must be made a success," he

Local Seneca County orders one hundred mimeographed letters for use in advertising its local meetings. This is a good idea and one that many locals can try out. Send a copy of the letter you wished printed, the state office will supply you for one cent a letter.

Comrade W. H. Aggus states in a letter to the state office that while several members have moved away from Norwalk, there is still much material left to make good Socialists out of, a matter which is to receive due attention in the very near future.

Comrade Beery orders more Debs' letters and says, "We are going to try hard to get every member to square up, also plans are being devised whereby we hope to very materially increase our membership."

O. Purin, secretary of the National Lettish Federation, orders more Red Flag buttons, "for there is a great demand for them," he says Are you

### PAY DUES **AHEAD**

#### Never Be **Behind**

Start 1918 Right With the Party

# Newsy Notes from Live Wires HELPFULSUGGESTIONS

the letter Comrade Mauntel writes Brown meeting. we are convinced these new cards will always contain their due quota of dues stamps. Local Portsmouth is up to the minute in other respects as well. It by the State Office.

No use hanging on to that old suan order for dues stamps and con-cludes his letter thusly, "This will

Here's a combiantion that's bound four months, an Arm and Torch rub- if a dollar has been remitted for ber stamp, a red flag pin and a year's them as yet. sub. to the Ohio Socialist. This is an order from Comrade Paul R. Miller,

live members there are making roundup of the dead and dying, not to reactionary element in the ranks of bury them, however, but to put new the army of the social revolution, it life into them and collect their arear-

> midst of fun and frolic. "Some time," necessary business is to have a little for several months,

The fame of the Red Flag button, which was originated in the State Office, is spreading far and wide and meets with universal admiration. State Secretary Jennie A. McGehe of Colorado orders a supply, also Local Portland, Ore.

Comrades of Local Crestline are posting the idea of making the Ohio Socialist a weekly. When enough has to say and you'll know.
"Enclosed find a report of our work can be carried to a success ocals fall in line with this idea it

> Local Lorain elects new officers of the "Good, young, red type," writes Comrade Rosengarten. "Good" means efficient here, and the workers Lorain are due to see some action in the Socialist camp there.

> "You certainly hit it right when you put Reynolds on the tour," writes H. F. Weaver of Local Montpelier. About once in a "blue moon" a Socialist is able to find an opponent with the courage to stand on his hind

New dues cards and cases for the Local Warren applies for a date for entire membership is an order from Organizer Hedden in February and Local Portsmouth. From the tone of making arrangements for a successful

Local Dundee will make the first meeting of the New Year a "Square minute in other respects as well. It Up" meeting, and organize a study intends accepting all speakers routed class in Socialism. We say this is starting off on the right foot.

No use hanging on to that old superstition longer. Comrade Joseph East Liverpool lately and "won the Bower, secretary Local Creston, sends hearts of all present," writes Comrade D J. Morgan. They have made all preparations for a Reynolds meetplace our thirteen members in good ing also. Local East Liverpool is standing to July 1, 1918." Just suppose, comrade, that in order to remove any possible lingering shadow of superstition, you increase your membership to twenty-six by that

Remember that card of buttons we to win-A dues book stamped ahead sent your local? Ask your secretary

Local Toronto elects new officers and intends holding a meeting each Sunday. "The State Office will hear Local Norwood's monthly reports some good things from this local in will look better in the future for the the near future," says Comrade

Local Marion is a live local. With 54 members, 49 are in good standing Still the comrades are dissatis-Losal Byesville enjoyed a watch with each other to see who is the best meeting Dec. 31. The members saw member getter A copy of Marx's the advent of the New Year in the Capital is offered as the prize to those who first, get the most new memit was, reports Secretary Nunley. Lobers; second, get most dropped mem-cals should mix business and pleas-ure occasionally. A little sociability now and then is relished by the best have a Dues Collectors Card system of Socialists. Some times the most that has been in successful operation

Comrade William J. Avey of Williamsburg, is doing some reorganizing work in his local. We are only crip-pled, he says, and will come out all right. Stick to it comrades, the times and conditions are with you.

Local Columbus resolved to hold roganda meetings twice a month in tuture. They have had two very successful meetings recently, writes Comrade Van Schoyck. Comrade Bachman lectured at one meeting and held a debate with Comrade Markley, S. L. P. speaker, at the second one, which was very interesting.

Comrade Max Boehm did some preliminary organization work at feet and fight. Such an occurrence will occur on Feb. 22 and 23 when Comrade Reynolds returns to Montpelier to debate with State Representations and some Socialist paper subnand Hoefer 22, Emil Schulz 21, Will.
Hagen 20, Aug. Gimpe 5, Mrs. H.
Strohfeld 4, F. Bubenhofer 4, F.
Koch 3, F. Berkman 12 and twelve Weaver is filling an Ohio Socialist made a list of names of "prospects" which were sent to the state office.

#### Three Thousand People Stand In Snow and Cold to Hear **Protest Speeches**

What was undoubtedly the most Ruthenberg, Alfred Wagenknecht and Cleveland took place Sunday after-

New York, Jan. 15, Mr. C. E. Ruthenberg, 737 Prospect Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Comrade Ruth-

enberg: I just learn from the newspapers that your conviction as well as those of Comrades Wagenknecht and Baker have been affirmed by the Supreme Court. Perhaps by the time this reaches you, you will have begun a dreary year's service in prison. I know that all three of you are strong and brave and ready to pay the price of your devotion to our cause. But perhaps it will make your ordeal a little easier to bear if you know that your comrades are proud of you; that they are determined to carry on the fight for liberty and labor without truce or let-up, and that when you come back to us, you will be welcomed in the ranks of militant Socialists

and comradeship. Faithfully yours, Morris Hillquit

with increased love

noon at Market Square. The meeting was called to protest the spirit that is bo against the imprisonment of C. E. tory for their cause.

mique demonstration ever held in Charles Baker, whose sentence to one year in jail had been upheld by the United States supreme court. Despite the fact that 50,000 copies

of "The Socialist Challenge" had been seized by government officials on a search and seizure warrant charging that matter printed in this paper violated the Espionage law, three thous-and people assembled at Market Square and remained there an hour and a half in the bitter cold, standing in several inches of snow to show their loyalty to the convicted men and the cause of Socialism, Peace and Democ-

The meeting was opened by Tom Clifford, who acted as chairman. Wm. Thurston Brown of the Modern school, who was to have spoken at the Sun-

day Forum meeting, followed. Comrade Brown aroused the audience to enthusiastic applause by his statement that his ancestors had come to this country in the sixteenth century and had fought in various struggles this country had been engaged in, including the Revolutionary War and the Civil War, "and in espousing the Civil War," and fighting for the Socialist cause," he continued, "I feel that I am only carrying forward the work in which my ancestors participated in their

Alfred Wagenknecht, one of the convicted men was the third speaker. Both he and C. E. Ruthenberg, who followed, were given an ovation. Both urged that the members of the Socialorganization, those in sympathy with its aims, could not show their loyalty to the cause in any better way than by giving to it more energetic and aggressive support.

"Our message to the workers may be silenced," C. E. Ruthenberg said, "but that message should be taken up by a score of earnest men and women and brought home to the people of this city. The greatest encourage-ment you can give us while we are separated from the work for the cause we have been serving is by advancing that cause through your work, faster than ever before:

"In a year from now we will rework for the cause we have fought for and for which we will again fight went to the national office for Pink more months go by will sweep over national convention; and most of the the world and triumph everywhere." fund brought \$192.00 for the party

pamphlets were sold. Local Socialists are proud of the determined spirit shown by this meet-ing in the cold and snow. It shows This is the only fund that looks a

In addition several hundred

# Printed for Your Benefit

Here are extracts from two letters then went over to her dresser, got her

of Local Marion. We print these so me a nickle. I told her to keep the emulate Local Marion. has used for the past eight months Torch button I asked her what the

kept by the financial secretary and he keeps record of dues payments upon them the same as he does in his A. Wagenknecht, account book. Whenever a member is back in his dues for one month, then Dear Comrade: the financial secretary gives the dues collector's card of this member to the get him to come to the next meeting. sentence soon. Our highest membership, which was just before the election numbered 54. Our membership now is 49 with all Tuesday evening. And Secretary W paid to date but two. Local Marion H. Fox will be glad to have me dehas never before submitted so good operate with him in getting the chies a report of standing of members as collectors cards made out. C. A. Bolin.

but things look brighter to all who have brought out all of the members but things look brighter to all who have brought out all of the members are in the local here. We have 49 if the weather had not been so unmembers in good standing and secured another new one last meeting. We have started a contest and are going to give a copy of "Capital," by Karl from attending a meeting. I am glad the members in who have sin was a way weather we I have held differ in the members are in the local here. We have started a contest and are going to give a copy of "Capital," by Karl Marx, to the member who brings in you wrote me. I have held office if most new members, dropped mem- this local continuously since Harr bers and dues collections from members more than four months in arrears. For every new member secured we give a credit of 10 points. For every dropped member brought back work. another local reports they have no use for the letters to delinquent members and now have fourteen, all in good standing," writes Comrade Geissler of Local Harrison Tp. Well, why not your local in the same happy state?

The description of the point of the contests of the contests of the contest of the con

which, altho addressed to the state made 200 tickets and sold them for office, is yet particularly addressed to ten cents each. Local gave wife \$5.0 all parents who are Socialists. for work and material. Cleared \$15.00 all parents who are Socialists.

buttons from you she came over to have only a half a dozen live one my side and read the card and then here. said: "Papa, I will buy one." She

sent the state office by two members money out of her purse and brought that other locals in the state may nickle and that I would pay for her button but she said that she would "Enclosed find a copy of a dues rather pay for it herself, and wear it collector's card which Local Marion to school. Having selected an Arm and with great success. Our system is Arm and Torch stood for, whereing this. We arrange the membership in she answered: "To bring light." Let groups of ten, with one committeeman for each group. We give each committeemen the ten located nearest his home. The dues collector's card are

> Ashtabula Harbor, O., Jan. 17, 1918 State Secretary.

All the more dear to us since we collector's card of this member to the committeeman, who then visits t he livest wire we have ever had in the member, collects his dues and tries to state office must start serving that

I received your letter on the 4th. Brought it up at the local meeting last Tuesday evening. And Secretary W.

The letters you sent the secretary The new secretary for Local Marion, (which by the way were O. K.) were T. C. Shaw, writes as follows: "Read in the papers that you lost your case the last meeting, and I believe to the last meeting.

YOUR CHILDREN WEAR-ING SOCIALIST BUTTONS?

P. S.—Here's the way we raised money for the defense funds. My wife This letter from George Markert or something around the edge' W "Dear Comrade, I must tell you secretary forwarded \$10.00 to the about my little daughter, Marcella. National office and \$5.00 to you. Mes the day I received those Socialist any local could do as much as well as

# By the Way--Local Secretary

Do you know, a funny thought struck us just now. Here we have spent in the neighborhood of \$75 to supply each Local Secretary with "New Year's Resolution" letters for the local members and dues collectors' cards. Funny, but we just happened to think -suppose the Local Secretaries, having received these letters which they were asked to send to their local members, and the dues collector's cards, had forgotten what we sent them for, and were instead using this printed matter as dust catchers around the house. Just suppose that they were doing this!

### December Financial Report

#### A Few Things About It You Should Know

A few words in explanation of the health by large dues stamp sales. December receipts and expenses are the membership fully posted as to doubtedly due to careless proof-readwhat use is made of the money which ing. they contribute and pay in dues to the state office.

December was not a good dues month, and dues stamp purchases for he month fell far below receipts from this source in November. Receipts for supplies were very gratifying, and the \$128.72 remitted by locals was al-most wholly invested in dues books and holders. The amount of \$381.35 under the heading of miscellaneous receipts, includes \$157.35 received from the national office for defense fund; \$224.00 received from the same source for expenses of delegates to the last national convention.

The expenses for December were very large. The \$123.98 expended for organization work represents the cost of Organizer Hedden's three week's trip and some organization printing. The \$76.08 for "Ohio Socialist' expense includes the cost of printing extra orders of our paper for locals and the cost of the "Party Builer," which 

books and most of the balance was remitted to the national office for dues book holders, combination account books and other needs. Two comrades are now employed in the state office, and as December was a "five Saturdays" month, the wages expense was higher than usual.

The miscellaneous expense of \$703.48 needs explaining for a miscellaneous expense of this size is usu-We will return to take up the ally looked upon with suspicion. Of this large miscellaneous expense \$124 balance went to pay for the joint con-A collection for Socialist literature ference of the state executive committee and the Socialists elected to polit-

ical offic.

We now have but \$17.32 in the gen-Office Fixtures
eral fund, out of which are paid the Literature (estimated) ...
Ford automobile (organizer the spirit that is bound to bring vic- little pale in the face, a little sickly. Locals are asked to nurse it back to

We also want to officially record a due the membership. It shall always few minor errors in the two previous be the desire of this office to keep financial reports, which were un-

> Balance on hand October 31 Balance on hand Nov. 30, 1917 (corrected) ......\$2399.21

DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

December Receipts Dues Stamps Reg .....\$ 326.60 Dues Stamps M. A. L. ..... 23.75 Dues Stamps Foreign Br..... Ohio Socialist ..... Supplies .... Literature ..... Pink Stamps ..... Total receipts ......
November balance ..... The \$150.95 expended for supplies Postage includes payment of \$84.00 for dues Organization Ohio Socialist ..... Salaries
Phone and Telegraph ..... 

Bal. on hand Dec. 30, 1917. \$1741.69 In the Various Funds General Fund \$ 17.32 Organization Fund 101134 Defense Fund .....

Total in all funds .... \$1741,69 Assets
National office credit .....

#### WANT 'A REYNOLDS' LECTURE?

Every once in a while local comrades get tired of being tired and resolve to "start and resolve to "start something." The aver-age Socialist is not the kind of a being who enjoys apathy as a steady diet. Altho we take a rest every now and then, even this rest has its limitations. We soon get tired of being tired and demand that the local again become an active unit in the for working

class supremacy.

If you are really anxious to "start something," we advise that you book Reynolds for a meeting. Here is a speaker you will enjoy more than any speaker you've ever had. Reports which have reached this office of Reynold's ability to instruct both Socialists and non-Socialists are most commendable. He is entertaining in his method of delivery besides giving vent to wit

YOUR MEMBERS.

REYNOLD'S LECTURE SUBJECTS "The Changing Order" is the lecture subject Reynolds has chosen for his first trip thru the state. A synop-

sis of this lecture follows: The individualism of a century ago. History. The farm the unit of industry. Introduction and application of machinery. Its effect upon the farmer. Social division of labor. Its effect upon farm life, home life, opportunities. Increase of wealth due to collective effort. Who gets it? Farmer an individualist by reason of his economic po-



and humor thruout his lecture, all of which helps to polish sition. Collective effort in factories, and brighten the grey matter of his in agriculture, need of collective ownlisteners.

APPLY FOR A REYNOLDS DATE
AT ONCE. NOTHING BETTER YOU
CAN DO TO PUT GINGER INTO

ership, collective owners, and consumers. Social production in agriculture now taking place. Producers not consumers. The New Order, when consumers will produce and producers

consume.

Reynolds can also give the following lectures and where occasion demands, will change his subject.

From Savagery to Savagery Again. The Evolution of the Tools. The Materialistic Conception

Our Mental Enslavement. Popular Misinformation. The Road to Happiness. Are Women People? Scientific Socialism.

What They Say About Reynolds

# Right Living. Working Class Education.

"You certainly hit it right when many of those who are dead set you put Reynolds on tour. He is just the right kind. All these years we have been calling outsiders "Henry Dubbs," but since Reynolds has been here we have been applying that term the ourselves. We now know that there to ourselves. We now know that there and interesting word pictures brings is still much to learn about Social you step by step, from one period to

"By far the most interesting and instructive speech ever given before the branch to which I belong. Comrade Reynolds has a way of teaching, Even the chief and captain of the also the natural sciences so that every worker can grasp their significance and their importance. Every local should book Reynolds, not only once, but three or four times." Tom Clifford.

local police who heard him had to admit he had good stuff, and whether it was the heat of the room or not I don't know but they left before he was through.

After the lecture we adjourned to our own quarters. Debs Hall and he not only the science of Socialism, but local police who heard him had to ad-

year, therefore under circumstances he held us entranced with the good yery unfavorable to a speaker. But the audience soon forgot that it was then and there decided to start damentals was so clear and so inter-esting by his interjection of humor-who heard Comrade Reynolds will cal Cleveland.

nolds is there with the goods. Confor a return date. sidering the obstacles that confront With best wishe a local like we have to go up against I feel safe in saying that Comrade Reynolds can change the opinion of

ism." H. F. Weaver and B. L. Kizer, another until he reaches the machine age. It is there he literally takes his audience by the ears and jams good

Clifford.

"W. E. Reynolds talked for local Cleveland on the coldest day of the content of the coldest day o study club

I am sure the hundred or so people well. No local should refuse Reynolds adate if it can secure him." C. E. Ruthenberg, Secretary-Organizer, Local communities and use him for a tive committee and use him for a week or so.

ing campaign that Com. W. E. Rey-some good, knowing they will clamor

With best wishes. I am,
Fraternally yours,
D. J. MORGAN, Secretary Local E. L.

### **ENCOURAGEM**

Dear Comrade Wagenknecht: Dear Comrade Wagenknecht: stamps. If you will continue to be passaw by the capitalist papers that the "council" at Washington manipulistic the check region of the council of the council of the check region of the council of the check region of th lating the check valve on democracy had affirmed the decision of the lower best of your new surroundings, I am tribunals. You are probably now thoroughly settled in your new habitation. While undoubtedly your new surroundings will at best be unpleasant.

A. Wagenknecht,

Lekerrook O. I feel confident that the inoculation of fortitude and sacrifice found in every tried and true Socialist will and I cannot tell you the feeling of stand you in good stead and bolster distress the first paragraph brought up your courage and determination to over me concerning yourself and go on and on until the final day of triumph. The sun of that days is past the The day is not far distant when monhorizon on its upward march. When it reaches the zenith, these hours of have done service for their fellowmen, tribulation will form the nucleus of the service I mean is that kind in your most cherished reminiscences. which one will give up all that he While these words can have no hear holds dear in life that another may your most cherished reminiscences. While these words can have no bearing upon the restoration of your liberty, I write to let you know that system has brought on.

When you leave your home and personally I feel that whatever you When you leave your home and did was done in a sincere effort to fireside I am sure each heart beat of lift struggling, though probably un-appreciative humanity out of the present economic quagmire, and that hours into days until the time that present economic quagmire, and that any attempt to be criminal or disloyal were the fartherest thoughts from your mind. Although I am not personally acquainted with Comrades Baker and Ruthenberg, I wish you will see any under the strain, if and that their present burdens will be made as light as possible.

bership campaign. The printed letters you sent me will be mailed and a strenuous effort made to build up a strong organization here for the dissemination of our propaganda. I have the card of buttons; also haven't forgotten about our indebtedness to bettered. Good bye, Comrades, may each day of your confinement mean the hastening of THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION.

Yours in Comradeship.
LOCAL EAST. LIVERPOOL, S. P. forgotten about our indebtedness to D. J. Morgan, See'y.

Steubenville, O., Jan. 16, 1918. the state office for anti-military

Trusting that you are making the

Lakewood, O. holds dear in life that another may

and that their present burdens will be made as light as possible.

In filling out the blank recently sent me, I stated that our regular meetings occurred on the first and third Tuesdays. This should be changed to second and fourth Tuesdays.

We held a meeting on January 8th, at which plans were laid for a membership campaign. The printed letters distinguished to the possible use it as a relaxation so that you will come back to us stronger, a bigger and greater fighter against capitalism than ever before. WE NEED YOU. WE NEED RUTHEN-BERG. WE NEED BAKER, O'HARE, FIRTH, HENNESSY and the hundreds of other revolutionists who are today suffering that the workers' conditions may be bettered.

# Your First Duty---PAY UP!

#### Socialists Begin Legislative Work

This month marked the beginning coal yard, asked that the question of of a new epoch in the political history securing water for the city be deported by the company of Cleveland. For twenty years the cided in harmony with the vote of

Cleveland Socialists have been nominating their candidates and making campaigns. Year after year went by and all of their candidates went down to defeat. It is not surprising therefore that Socialists are attending the council meetings with broad smiles on their faces, for after years of effort they are now able to make their ideals felt in the determination of the affairs of the city.
Socialist Councilmen Mandelkorn

and Willert have already made plain to the other city "fathers" just what kind of ordinances emanate from So-cialists. They are putting up a valiant fight to give police and firemen the eight hour day, and to make the civil service commission a real democratic body. A. L. Hitchcock, member of the school board, is also getting under the hide of the supporters of things as they are. His resolution to rescind a former ruling of the board which denied teachers the right to form a union, and his constant inquiries as to the methods in vogue by the school board in spending money has already brought commendation from those who are of the working class.

In Toledo Thomas Devine, who won the office of councilman by one vote, has been seated and has joined Councilmen Curtis, Smith and Bitter in regularities, and made other recommaking Toledo safe for the workers, mendations which will form a basis We shall hear from there from time for action in favor of a working class to time and what we shall hear will administration. Socialist Councilmen

make us all prouder of our party.

Mayor Hamilton of Piqua is to be praised for the cautions manner in which he enters upon his new duties. administration gets no chance to place sary that the actions of our elected any of the odium of its mismanage- officials be made public, for by doing ment upon his shoulders. In this efing good assistance. In the mayor's our elected comrades constantly work. recommendations to the council, most We hope soon to hear from Byesville, of the members of which are old par-Hamilton, Montpelier, Jenera, Massiltyites, he recommended a municipal lon, Sandusky and other places.



Mayor Hamilton of Piqua

the people of Piqua upon this matter, called attention to financial ir-Neffs and Kenyon are taking full part in this work.

The Ohio Socialist expects to hear from every local which has elected He is making sure that the previous Socialists to office. It is most necesthis we gain the confidence and supfort Jos. W. Sharts of Dayton is lend- port of the workers in whose interests

#### Reynolds Says:

"We must organize to win. Organization presupposes solidarity. Solidarity is impossible without unity of aim and unity of aim is impossible without education. We must of course, constantly seek to increase our membership, but just as important is the work of making more intelligent Socialists out of those already in our party. Form a study class without a minutes delay! I will gladly show any local for which I speak how to conduct such a class."

# Here Are New Supplies for Locals

ACCOUNT BOOKS-RUBBER STAMPS—WALLETS

offered locals at most reasonable pric-

Combination Account Books

At \$2.50—Contains cash received and cash expended department. Contains membership dues payment record department and will keep record This is to tell you and the locals throughout Ohio who are intending to secure efficient speakers for the comhave a speaker who will do them have a speaker who will do them the speaker who will do them the secure efficient speakers for the comhave a speaker who will do them the speaker who will do th of 640 members 2 years or 320 memon the first pages full explanations as how to keep it.
At \$1.75—The same as above, but

with one-half the space.

At \$1.00—Contains cash received cash expended department and will keep record of dues payments of 200 members for 2 years. Not index-

At 75c-Same as last mentioned with one-half the space. Minute Books

At 75c-Minute book containing 150 At \$1.00—Minute book containing

200 pages. Wallets At 25c-Wallet, 9x12, in which sec- cur at many business meetings.

Dues Stamps, each

MINUTE BOOKS - COMBINATION retary can keep his bills and correspondence.

At 15c-Wallet 4x7½, in which fi-Locals should take pride in minutes nancial secretary can keep dues properly written and accounts well stamps, postage and other valuables. kept. The state office has now on hand These wallets are made of very tough a supply of account books, minute books and other accessories which are help local officers in keeping dues stamps and correspondence from becoming worn and soiled.

Rubber Stamps

20c Per Line-A line consists of three inches. Two lines would cost 40c and 3 lines 60c. Secretaries desiring a rubber stamp made of meeting place and time, or their home address can now order thru the state At 25-Ink pad for rubber stamps.

Order of Business -An order of business for locals and branches. Contains suggestions for keeping the local active and

explains what questions are in order under the different heads.

Letterheads, Envelopes At 40c-Letterheads, 100 of them

ed nor as complete as above two printed and padded.

At 40c—Envelopes, 100 of them printed and with space for return ad-

> Robert's Rules of Order At \$1.00 The revised edition, half leather. Every local should own a copy for this is the best rules of order book in print and will solve all your parliamentary tangles, such as oc-

#### STATE OFFICE PRICE LIST.

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ř	Mutation Stamps, each	2
9	Member's Dues Books, each	2
	Dues Book Holders, each	2
	National Constitutions, each 5c, 25 for	U
	Dues Book Holders, each National Constitutions, each 5c, 25 for Application Cards, per 100	U
į	State Platforms, 100 copies for	5
į	Fransfer Cards, 10 for 1	U
	Rubber Stamp, Arm and Torch, each	0
	Letter Heads per hundred 4	0
	Envelopes, printed, per hundred	0
	Electrotypes, Arm and Torch, each	:5
	Buttons, Arm and Torch, 10 for	0
	Buttons, International Emblem, 10 for	0
	Buttons, Red Flag, 10 for	0
	Buttons, "Socialist Party," 10 for	Ô
	Red Flag Pins, each	5
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#### Official Business

December 22, 1917.

To the State Executive Committee. Comrades:

The state office herewith reports the vote upon questions recently sub-mitted to the state executive committee, the vote upon which is now

1. Shall W. E. Reynolds and Wm.

Thurston Brown be toured?
Voting yes: Bundy, Wilkins, Beery,
Clifford, Baker, Patterson. Sharts
votes in favor of a tour by Reynolds but against a tour by Brown with the comment: "Am informed that Brown is an anarchist. Think his record should be investigated first."

2. Shall a War Prisoners' Families'

tary contributions for such a fund? 4. Shall a special stamp be issued, proceeds from the sale of which shall

3. Shall a call be made for volun-

Sustaining Fund be created?

be devoted to sustaining war prisoner's families? All committeemen except Sharts voted yes on question 2. All committeemen except Sharts

voted yes on question 3. All committeemen except Sharts, Bundy and Clifford voted yes on

Comment: By Sharts: "I think the party should continue the salaries of party officials sent to jail for carrying out the party activities; but to do more than this is not only uncalled for, it is impossible. The individual member or sympathizer of the party who individually resists the draft or otherwise puts himself outside the law without party instructions, ought not to expect party aid. Further, I believe every dollar should be put into the state and congressional campaign this fall, as the most effective means of aiding those sent to prison; it will reduce the term of their sentences, and if we capture some political power we may be able to find positions for members of families of war pris-

By Patterson: "I am heartily in favor of the several propositions you have submitted and vote yes on all of them. I believe the party will give hese measures liberal support and I feel it is a duty we all owe at this time. I will do all in my power to make it a success in this city. In fact, the question has been raised many times by different comrades about what was being done for the families of war prisoners and from the sentiment of members of Local Toledo I feel we will do our part."

All questions have therefore carried. The Reynolds and Brown routing will proceed and a War Prisoner's Families Sustaining Fund and will be called for as soon as the time is op-

A. WAGENKNECHT.
January 15, 1918.
To the State Executive Committee.

Report is herewith made of the result of the vote upon executive committee motions No. 1 and 2, 1918.

Motion No. 1: By Patterson, to the effect that the state secretary notify all locals not to collect money for the national office until requested to do so by the state office.

Voting yes: Baker, Wilkins, Clifford, Beery, Sharts, Patterson. Voting no: Bundy. Motion carried.

Motion No. 2: By Wilkins, to the effect that the state office co-operate

with the national office in securing funds for the campaign, the local, state and national office each to re-tain one-third of amounts collected. Voting yes: Bundy, Sharts, Beery, Wilkins. Voting no: Patterson, Clifford, Baker. Motion carried.

Fraternally submitted A. WAGENKNECHT, State Secretary.

#### December Roll Call

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	/	New	Good	Total
	Local	Mem.	Sta on	Roll.
•		5	Stg. on 274	399
	Akron			
•	Akron Scand		24	24
•	Alliance		25	30
l	Atashbula	. 1	20	40
•	Ashtabula Finn .	. 2	126	128
	Aurora		16	16
	Barberton		35	45
	Belmont Co		271	332
t	Buffalo		$\frac{4}{7}$	10
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	Byesville		65	
	Cincinnati		600	773
	Clark Co		22	50
	Cleveland	.122	2150	2600
	Conneaut	. 0	28	28
	Coshocton	. 1	18	44
L	Continental		6	6
٠,	Crestline		19	27
.	Cuyahoga Falls	•	9	$\tilde{13}$
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	Derwent		, 21	31
ı	Elyria	. 0	23	42
	Fairview	. 0.	26	28
-	Harrison Tp	. 0	14	14
1	Hamilton	. 13	255	322
1	Hubbard	. 13	10	32
	Jenera		31	31
	Lorain		45	47
	Mansfield Gr		41	41
			44	79
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	Marysville		4	8
	Marion	0	47	49
	Massillon	. 4	58	81
	Midvale	. 1	27	30
.	Montpelier	. 2	124	124
1	Mt. Vernon	. 0	10	13
1	New England	. 0	4	4
ŀ	New Philadelphia.	2	25	73
1	North Star	Õ	5	10
1	North Star Norwood	. 0	29	42
1	Diana	4		
	Piqua	4	81	100
	Salem		64	71
1	Sandusky		34	50
1	Wadsworth		12	14
-	Warren	. 0	31	36
-	Wayne Tp	. 1	4	8
1	Youngstown	. 2 .	79	111
1	Youngst'n S. S. 18	5	63	65
1	Zanesville	1	26	34
-	Warren Finn		80	80
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