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On Whose Side are you ?

Workers' or capitalists'?

The peoples of the world are not divided by nationality, but by class. Even if he is your fellow countryman, even if he is of the same race as you are, does that prevent him from sweating you? Does that prevent him from making you work for as many hours as possible, for as little money as possible?—Not in the least.

Even during the war, when the working people are sacrificing their lives, your and the capitalists have continued to exploit you, and your families.

For some aim of the capitalist is profit. They make profit out of food. They make profit out of the uniforms you wear. They make profit out of the guns you use. The war has been for them an Aladdin's Cave from which to draw wealth beyond the dreams of avarice.

What has been for the masses the cause of death, destruction, ruin and despair, has been for the capitalists a means of piling up colossal fortunes, both now, and in the future.

All profit is wrung from our class, from the sweat, and blood, and tears of the working people.

It is the same in all countries. In England, in France, in Germany, in Austria, and in Russia.

Does nationality count?—No! It is class that counts.

Working class or capitalist class, on which side are you?

Capitalists have investments in all countries. Where their money is there their hearts are also. There is no patriotism for them. But they always remain loyal to their class.

As against the working class the capitalists of all countries are united—they under and the mass war.

There are only two camps, the workers' camp and the capitalists' camp.

In which camp are you?

The interests of the workers of all countries are the same. No matter where you live, in England, France, Germany, if you are a workman you must work for a master, and he will only employ you if he can obtain a profit out of your labour.

The workers are always opposed to the masters. In England great strikes are now proceeding, because while you have come here to fight for "liberty", the master class at home wants to impose industrial conscription upon your fellow workers.

Real freedom, economic, and social freedom will only be achieved when the workers of all countries overthrow the master class, and take control in their own hands.

We in Russia have done this. We have abolished Capitalism and Landlordism in Russia.

You have a workmen's government. Your capitalists know that our revolution is a menace to them. They fear that the workers in other countries will follow our example.

They are therefore supporting the Russian capitalists against us. They are determined to crush our revolution and put the landlords, capitalists, and the Tsar back again.

And you have been brought here for that purpose.

What are you, a workman or a capitalist?

If you are a workman, then you must be on our side, for we are workmen too. We are of the same class.

An injury to the workers of one country, is an injury to the workers of all countries.

Refuse to do the work of our common enemy, the capitalist!!

Join with us in the fight against capitalism, and war!!

If you help to crush our revolution, you will only be helping to fasten the shackles of wage slavery more firmly on yourselves.

Workers of all countries unite !!

PREDICTS BIG INCREASE IN GRAIN YIELD

Sir James Wilson Gives Optimistic Outlook in Interview with Broomhall

LIVERPOOL, Eng., April 23.—At the conclusion of a comprehensive statement regarding the international wheat position, Sir James Wilson, in an interview with Broomhall's, declared that by October 1, 1919, according to his estimates, Britain will have reaped a harvest of 11,000,000 quarters as compared with pre-war average of 7,500,000 quarters. And, although the total yield of wheat in France, Germany and Austria-Hungary will be much below their pre-war average, all importing countries in the world which on the pre-war average imported 77,000,000 quarters are not likely to import in the year ending July 1, 1920, as much as 92,000,000 quarters.

Sir James Wilson does not share the view of Mr. Hoover, who stated that wheat in the United States may sell at \$3.50 next season. By October 1, he says, the United States, Canada, and Argentina will find themselves in possession of an exportable surplus amounting to 113,000,000 quarters. In addition to this there is the prospect of an additional 37,000,000 quarters from Argentina, Australia, India, Russia and Roumania. Competition between exporting countries to get rid of their exportable surpluses is likely to be very keen, Sir James stated.

Eugene Victor Debs, The Champion of The American Working Class

The following speech was delivered by Eugene V. Debs on March 12, before the Socialist Party of Cleveland, Ohio, and it was his last public utterance before he entered the Federal Penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va.

"RATHER SPEND LIFE IN JAIL THAN BETRAY SOCIALISM!"
DEBS.

"How true it is that there is a divinity that shapes our ends, rough hew them how we will! It may seem strange to you, but in my plans, in my dreams, I did not think of going to the penitentiary—and I—I had a thousand times rather go there and spend my remaining days there than betray this great cause.

"So far as I am concerned it does not matter much. The margin is narrow, the years between now and the sunset are few, and the only care that I have personally is that I may preserve to the last the integrity of my own soul and my loyalty to the only cause worth living for, and dying for.

"It is so perfectly fine to me to look into your faces once more, to draw upon you for the only word I have ever had, the only word that has ever come to me, the only word that I can ever speak for myself. I love mankind, humanity. Can you understand? I am sure you can.

"We are close of **an wave rushed in the direct** and when we get into close touch with each other we come to understand that our good depends upon the good of all humanity.

"I am opposed to the system under which we live. I am opposed to the government that compels you, the great body of the American people, to pay tribute to an insignificant few who enjoy life while the great body of the people suffer, struggle, and agonize without ever having lived. Can you understand? I am sure you can.

"Let me get in touch with you for a while. I am going to speak to you, as a Socialist, as a revolutionist, and as a Bolshevik, if you please.

"And what is the thing that the whole world is talking about? What is it that the ruling class power of the world are denouncing upon which they are pouring a flood of all their malicious lies—what is it? It is the rise of the workers, the peasants, the soldiers, the common man, who for the first time in history said, 'I have made what there is, I produced the wealth; I want to be heard.'

"Now, for the first time in history, his bowed head lifted, he stands erect and is beginning in his grim strength to shake off the manacles, straighten himself in the sunlight, in his gigantic attitude, opening his eyes, beginning to see for the first time, beginning to ask why it is that he must press his rags closer to his body, that he may not touch the rich man's costly silks that he himself produced—why it is that he must walk in alleys, while he is forbidden to enter the great palaces he has erected—why it is that he must support all the banquets of the world that he may not taste.

"He is beginning to think. That is Bolshevism! That is the revolution in Russia! That is the beginning of the end of capitalism and the end of the beginning of Socialism!

"And because we say this they are going to put us in jail. With every drop in my veins I despise their law and I defy them.

"The earth is beginning to shake beneath the feet of the profiteers. 'Have they outlawed the red flag here? The red necktie? The red socks? How perfectly foolish! Have you heard about the pope in the middle ages forbidding the comets to appear? Why, the other day the chaplain in the House of Representatives asked God to give Congress wisdom!

"I am appealing to you tonight—the crowd, the mass, the common people—I do not care anything about the Supreme Court, begowned, befettered, bewhiskered, old fossils, corporation lawyers, every one of them—they have not decided anything. They never have; they never will.

"Sixty years ago the predecessors of the same body confirmed the validity of the fugitive slave law. They declared that a black man had no rights which his master was bound to respect. They imagined