

World Wide Notes

In addition to the Cossacks and cavalrymen on duty in St. Petersburg combating the strikers, machine guns were mounted in some of the streets. In case of further rioting of strikers it is feared great loss of life will follow. When street car service was partially resumed, strikers threw stones at the cars. The Cossacks shined the men no mercy riding them down and clubbing them on the streets. Police fired several shots in private residences from which they said stones had been thrown. The authorities estimate the number of strikers at 135,000, but it is believed the total is greater. A significant feature is that the movement has been joined by many government employees. Some leniency was shown during the presence here of Raymond Poincaré, President of the French Republic, but immediately after his departure four regiments of cavalry, of the guard and two regiments of cuirassiers, under the command of General Kasnakoff, arrived from Krasnoyarsk to assist in suppressing the strikers. They brought with them a number of quick firing machine guns. A squadron of the newly arrived cavalry at once came into contact with the strikers, charging and discharging into a crowd of them.

As a result of the great unemployment in Argentina, the French government has issued a warning against emigration to that country. According to a report of the Statistics Board, the Argentine trades unions numbered 4,456 members in thirty-one unions at the end of 1913, but it may be safely assumed that the actual number is but little higher than 3,000.

As a result of the active agitation of the housing question by the Socialists and a continuous increase of their strength in the municipal government of Amsterdam, your correspondent was recently elected as a member of the Executive Council with special charge of all matters relating to housing and labor. There are 15 Socialists in the present town council out of a total of 45 members.

There were only 3 in 1906, 6 in 1907, 9 in 1909, 12 in 1911 and the 15 were elected in 1913. There are 16 Liberals, 5 "Progressives," and 9 Clericals in the Council. This body elects the Executive Council which, with the Mayor, appointed by the central government, administers municipal affairs.

Over-Sea Cable Items.—The Dutch Government wants three Dreadnoughts (24,000 tons each), besides cruisers and torpedo-boat destroyers, to defend the Dutch colonies in the East Indies. The Spanish Ministry wants a second fleet, to cost \$10,000,000 annually for nine years, and the refitting of arsenals. Forty-five Peruvian soldiers, found guilty of mutiny, were placed on a raft in the Napo River and moved down by a machine gun. Two troops of Cuirassiers at Potsdam (Germany) were twice tried for "ragging." The first sentences were six weeks and three weeks, which the second court-martial increased to 70 per cent. The "ragging" in one case consisted of forcing a recruit "to kneel down naked on a table, while another was forced to climb on a cupboard and sign a hymn. Six recruits were sent to hospital suffering from sword wounds. At the enquiry into the death of two German soldiers who jumped under a train, it came out that they were ordered to a general, and that he had been in the presence of him during the middle of the night by pouring ice water upon their heads. The Belgian Government proposes to create a Territorial Force, increasing Belgium's war army to 60,000.

Keir Hardie, Socialist member of Parliament, in the Labor Leader, writes an astounding comment on the King in connection with the Buckingham Palace conference on the home rule problem. He writes:—"King George is not a statesman. He is not a pleasure-loving seaplane like his father; but like his father he is destitute even of ordinary ability. Had he been born in the ranks of the working class his most likely fate would have been that of the street corner loafer."

The Countess of Warwick, who is an active Socialist propagandist, has decided to cut the old nobility. She is going to set the aristocracy an example by going to work, and has accepted a job on the London "Daily Sketch."

A gang of Australian immigrationists is at work in London forming a company with a capital of £1,000,000. They propose to "settle" the people on the land, and they, no doubt, will "settle" them.

Children who have gone on strike at the Burton and Shimpling County schools, Norfolk, England, parade the village with banners declaring, "We want our teachers back!" Their teachers are two Socialists discharged because of the clerical influence against them. Similar influence would like to dismiss Socialist teachers in this country.

Rivals Her Daughter in Youthful Beauty

A well-known society matron whose youthful beauty is so well preserved that she is regarded as her daughter's rival in this respect—though she does not pose as such—attributes her girlish complexion chiefly to two things. She says:—"I am convinced that many cosmetics, by overloading the skin and pores, tend to age the complexion. Mercifully, I have just the opposite effect. It keeps the pores clean, the complexion clear and healthy, and removes dead particles of cuticle which are constantly appearing and which give the complexion that faded look. Whenever my skin begins to get the least bit off-color, muddy or tanned, I go to my drugist's for an ounce of mercuric wash. I apply this nightly, like cold cream, for a week or so, washing it off mornings. This is what keeps my complexion so fresh, white and healthy, even during the trying days of summer."

The absence of wrinkles and blemishes I owe to the use of a simple face bath prepared by dissolving one ounce of powdered borax in a half pint of water. This keeps the skin "tight" and firm.—Social Register.

American Notes

The fact that "Mother" Jones and John W. Brown were refused permission to speak in Cooper Union, New York City, in behalf of the Colorado miners is explained by the fact that the officers of Cooper Union include Andrew Carnegie, J. Pierpont Morgan and other millionaires.

Socialists in convention at Baltimore, Md., demanded the abolition of war. Charles E. Devlin was nominated for United States senator. In Socialism the working class of America finds its solace, its inspiration, and its hope, and this lesson it learned at Ludlow. The holocaust of Ludlow seared and burned the very soul of Labor. In the agony of that hour Labor found itself in America. For the first time in this nation's history the mass mind of the working class was consciously moved by one impulse. It is still moving, and ere its force is spent the hellish institutions of capitalism will be swept from off this earth.

A Socialist college, believed to be the first institution of its kind in the country, has been chartered by Kansas. It is to be located in Fort Scott, and will be known as the People's College. All subjects are to be taught as far as possible from the viewpoint of the producers of wealth.

The value of the oil lands awarded to Standard Oil Company by the Supreme court exceeds a billion dollars and, to quote from the dispatch telling of the award, "exceeds in value seven times all the gold coin in the United States, and more than all personal property and real estate taxed in Louisiana, Rhode Island, Virginia, North Carolina, Nebraska, and the basis of the decision was that, through the reservation of mineral lands from grants by law would have entitled the government to recover the lands, the time limit for bringing the suit having expired. It does seem as if 'The Rockefeller' own and control America."—The Appeal.

Nine hundred and thirty million bushels of wheat for 1914. Some crop is enough to feed us all and leave a fair export margin. So declares the capitalist press. 'Tis, but will it feed us all? We look to the breadline this winter for an answer. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has issued reforms, abolishing prison sentence as punishment for desertion in the navy. Hereafter all deserters on the first offense will be taken back on probation if they desire to return to the navy. If a man offends the second time by deserting, he will be dishonorably discharged. Secretary Daniels also proposes to let all dissatisfied men in the navy who want to quit, purchase honorable discharges. He is of the opinion that these reforms will accomplish two things: First, he believes they will stop desertions and, second, tend to reduce expenditures incident to the cost of the maintenance of naval prisons. These institutions cost the government about \$1,000,000 a year.

Under orders issued by Secretary Daniels drunkenness on shore is to be punished by dishonorable discharges. Fred D. Warren, for fourteen years editor of the Appeal to Reason, the foremost weekly Socialist paper of the country, lately resigned because of ill health. For nearly two years Warren has been a sick man, but he stuck to his post until about four months ago, when he went to Europe in a vain endeavor to recover his health. Last week he returned to Girard, convinced that it was imperative of him to drop his life's work. Louis Kopelin, who for the last year and a half has been managing editor of the Appeal to Reason, will succeed Warren. Walter H. Wayland, son of the late J. A. Wayland, founder of the Appeal, will hereafter be sole owner and publisher. Previous to his connection with the Appeal to Reason, Kopelin was managing editor of The New York Call and Washington correspondent of the Socialist Press Service.

Keepers and guards of the Rockefeller estate at Tarrytown, N.Y., were worrying over a new danger that is said to imperil their master. The guards, whose forces have been increasing many times since the "social chill" crusade began to pervade the land, have been told to watch only the grounds and secret safety subways to keep intruders from molesting John D. Rockefeller. Now they must search the skies. It has been talked about that a plan has been started by some wealthy enemy of the old king to equip an airplane for the purpose of dropping bombs from the sky, out of range of the rifles of the guard, upon the houses on the Rockefeller estate.

With the signing up of more independent mines throughout the state, the striking coal miners are beginning to see the successful culmination of one of the most bitter struggles in the labor movement. "The strike was never in better shape," said John R. Lawson, International Board, member of the United Mine Workers. "Operators in every section of the State, after employing scab labor since late September are beginning to realize fully that they cannot hope to obtain the same work from these delinquents as from the experienced coal miners who worked for them before the strike."

The largest assemblage ever witnessed in Allentown, crowded Center Square, recently when it was announced that Mayor Rinnas had refused permission to allow James H. Maurer, Socialist and president of the State Federation of Labor, to speak on the square. Besides the immense throngs that surged up and down the square, indignantly discussing this latest attempt to block freedom of assemblage and speech, the entire police force of the city was present. The crowd packed into the square, overflowing into side streets. Every effort was made by police and thugs to incite riot, and officers being seen to rush and jostle and

otherwise egg on the crowd. Rather than permit themselves to be tricked into a bloody combat between the police and the unarmed and unprepared citizens, David Williams, chairman of the committee on arrangements, decided to call off the meeting, and, for the time being, permit the Mayor's gang order to remain unchallenged. Maurer had declared earlier in the day that he would speak with or without the permission of the Mayor, which declaration undoubtedly caused the crowd to collect. William, however, while cancelling the meeting, stated to The Call's correspondent that the fight has only begun, and that, if necessary, the aid of the entire State Federation of Labor will be invoked to maintain the right of the people.

The margin by which the American plutocracy escaped the terrors of a French revolution as a result of Ludlow was so narrow and indistinct as to be almost invisible. For the very first time in its history, organized labor boldly and openly voted its funds for the purchase of munitions of war for the defence of the lives of its members. Did capitalism take heed? Ludlow showed its teeth? It did, at this hour, weeks after the Ludlow horror, plutocracy in America is gasping at the maw of hell which yawned for it on that quiet April morning, the day which a few America gazed upon the charred and unrecognizable features of its innocent dead.

An Easy Way Out

Are the masters sure of their hired murderers in the army and navy? No. They are in a state of "dum-dum" where "e are."

Officers in the army of the world are becoming more lenient with the men in their command. Officers in the navy wink the other eye at violations of the rules which a few years ago would have called for stern measures.

Rules regarding the soldier and sailor are being revised every day, in order to keep Tommie and Jack from deserting.

In the American navy the state of unrest has reached such a point that the secretary of the navy has issued orders that deserters will be taken back (if they choose to come back) on probation the first time they desert. On the second offence they will be DISMISSED.

It is to laugh. Dismissed for an offence which they would have been hanged or imprisoned not so long ago.

This practically lets a man desert whenever he takes the notion. What is the matter with the navy and army?

The fact of the matter is that the masters see their hired butchers are becoming tired of the uniforms of the capitalists. They are sick of the business. The dull routine of the life does not appeal to them any more. They feel the spirit of freedom, the spirit of the revolution. They refuse to become docile under orders of another.

Socialism is making its inroads into the armies and navies. It is even felt in the guards of the Imperial Kaiser. The result is seen everywhere. Canada and other countries are frantically organizing boy scouts and cadets to take the place of the men who are leaving tried—from the lark of the olden days to modern imprisonment on bread and water—to no effect. The men are leaving in scores. It remains now for the other nations to follow the example of Secretary Daniels and take the matter philosophically.

The Price

Compulsory training and the development of the military spirit may be good for the shareholders in armament concerns, if their only interest in life is money. And that is all that can be said for militarism. But the story of its evils has no end.

A reader in Australia sends us an account of the sufferings of his son, "who through loyalty to his parents' view of Christianity teaching is undergoing solitary confinement in the cells of the Queenscliff Fortress, Victoria." He writes:

Tom is a lad of 16, and was sent to Queenscliff on Wednesday for 21 days for refusing to train under the Defence Act. For continuing in his refusal, the boy was placed in a cell on Thursday night, where he was confined until 11 a.m., Saturday morning, and the punishment was increased. The Military Court then ordered him to be placed into a cell for seven days. He is locked in a cell 10 feet by 10 feet built of wood with an iron roof. It has no window, the light coming through a grating. He has a wooden stretcher, the mattress and blankets are taken away in the morning, and not brought back until dark. He has half-an-hour's exercise in the morning, and again in the afternoon. He is on half diet, but not been allowed to read nor to write to his parents.

Liberty and justice and humanity all go down before the senselessness of war and aggression! But in time the people of the earth will learn reason and understand freedom.—Labor Leader.

Yearly May Day Walk

At the meeting of the S.D.P. of C. Local No. 37, Elk Lake, we decided that we would ask the various locals to co-operate with us in trying to hold a May Day Walk yearly.

We ask that the various locals observe the First Day of May as Labor Day, instead of September 1st., as May 1st. is observed by the International movement as Labor Day. We are asking the various locals of this district to join us in holding a May Day Walk in the North. The place to be voted on later.

Hoping that the Comrades will join us in our movement. Yours in revolt.—John P. Powell, Sec. Local No. 37, Elk Lake.



The FIDING LINE

Tullymet, Sask., opens to the plute system with four shots.

Porcupine, Ont., sends four to help wage war on the legalized gold thieves.

Duck Lake and Beville, Sask., and Mayethorpe, Sedalia and Halcourt, Alta., each send four.

Four to Winnipeg. Whoop 'em along, Comrades. We need the subs to keep the plute panic from putting your paper out of business.

"Enclosed please find one dollar for sub cards. The two first Socialist votes in this district were polled on the 10th July."—Oak Bluff, Man.

Morson, Ont., and O'Connor, Ont., each land four. And many slaves sit in darkness because the sub hustlers do not round them up where the light of revolution may shine into their lives.

Three dollars for subs and cards come from Guelph. The master will get after the slave who sends this. How dare he have three bones in his possession when the masters are putting the screws on to make the slaves penniless so they cannot support their revolutionary press.

"Enclosed find four. I have got three brand new ones. It was pretty hard to get them to see the light, but finally they woke up. Two are ex-soldiers. They have now thrown over the uniform and I believe they will make good ones. Cheer up, our time is coming."—London, Ont.

Port Moody, B.C., wants four sub cards. B.C. is sure on the hog as far as the wage slaves are concerned for mighty few subs dribble in from that quarter. The hunger wolf is loose in the Pacific province and his growl is shaking the jellyfish backbone of the quiver-bellied plutes.

Four to Dundurn and four to Stony Plain. The farm slaves sweat and produce the wealth and the plute eat so much that they bulge out in front like a sprung pork barrel. Let us change the system so the slaves will cease to be slaves and the masters will cease to be masters.

"Yours for a better time," says a Durlingville, Alta., Comrade with a list of ten. You bet we are all fighting for a better time and we know the better time cannot come as long as a thieving, snarling, selfish crew can take advantage of the system of laws to rob, plunder and slowly kill the useful class in society.

"Enclosed please find four. Hard times are here too and it is hard to get subs. But I think we will soon be rushing the subs in from here. The people are getting interested more and more in Socialism. It surely is the political hope of the world. Cotton's Weekly certainly is improving. Keep it up."—Hanover, Ont.

"With best wishes to all the Comrades," says another Winnipeg Comrade with four. This Comrade does more than wish. He gets after the plutes. The plutes are perfectly willing for the slaves to have the wish-bone of the system as long as the plutes get the meat. Heave in, comrades, and get your rights to the meat.

1914.

The workers are dissatisfied. The masters find soap to the workers to win them and the bayonets gleam in the slave camps to cove the workers if the sops do not sop.

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Poverty and the Poor

"The curse of the poor is their poverty" is a favorite expression of Bernard Shaw's, and he has good Biblical authority for his text. It is one of the truths that is hardest for the wilfully blind to see.

"The curse of the poor is their improvidence," the banker writes upon a card to be displayed in the street cars. There he orders another automobile and tries to make the white lights turn red until the bank breaks and the savings of labor are gone.

"The curse of the poor is their improvidence," cries the fanatic, counting the glasses of beer of the workers and shutting his eyes to the bottles of champagne of the exploiter.

"The poor suffer because of their laziness," lolls the fat preacher of platitudes as he sinks back into his upholstered chair at the club.

But it is not because the poor are improvident or imtemperate or lazy, but because they are poor that they suffer. They are poor not because of the pennies they save from the pittance they get, but because of the dollars they do not get from the plenty they produce.

Wealth does not come from industry. It is the workers in every land who are poor.

Poverty is the father and mother of crime and misery and degradation in every form. Yet the only movement that dares to strike at poverty is Socialism.—Milwaukee Leader.

NEW LOCALS.

New Locals of the Social-Democratic Party of Canada have been formed as follows:—Hallebury, Ont. Local No. 96, English; Sioux Lookout, Ont., Local No. 97, Finnish; McCool, Ont., Local No. 98, English; Quibell, Ont., Local No. 99, Finnish; Cranford, Ont., Local No. 100, English; Medicine Hat, Alta., Local No. 38, English; Athabasca, Alta., Local No. 39, English; Regina, Sask., Local No. 19, Ukrainian. Local Elk Lake No. 37 has been reorganized. Eight new locals since last report.

All hail the machine age. The machine is now master of man, but with the co-operative commonwealth man will be master of the machine and all worry over living will be ended.

The revolutionists of Poland are dynamiting the arsenals of the government. Russia at war means revolution at home. Let Russia move her troops to the invasion of Austria or of Germany and the Cossack-cow many would rise and burn the palaces and slit the throats of their oppressors. This is not nice, but the spirit of an oppressed and outraged people is not nice when it can get at those who cause the misery.

Because the capitalist press of Canada is featuring the war news and the war spirit does not mean that all Europe is mad for war. Millions of the people are against war. Should a European conflagration break out, civil war would rage also, for the anti-militarists would do their utmost to stop the war and the butcher-soldiers of the master class would be needed at home to bayonet the workers more than they would be needed on the frontier to kill and be killed by the soldier butchers of the master class of another nation.

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WILSON, ORGANIZER.

Comrade Harry Wilson of Toronto will be organizer under the direction of the Dominion Executive Committee. Starting in at Listowel, on Monday, July 27th, he took in several other towns en route to Cobalt and other mining centres before touring Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Port Arthur and other points along the road will be visited. The Comrades of Saskatchewan have been asking for an organizer for some time back. We are confident that Wilson will succeed in organizing many new locals in the west. Comrades in Manitoba and Saskatchewan who would like a visit from Wilson may communicate with him, in Secretary D.E.C., 61 Weber St., West, Berlin, Ont.

You bet we will howl like a hungry coyote in February for subs, not for ourselves, as the busting of this paper would be a financial benefit to us, but we howl for the paper, to let you know that unless you act and send in subscriptions, your paper, the paper you have supported now these six years, will be no more.

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