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This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

THE LATENT BOMB FAKE. (From The New York Call.) There was a tremendous bomb explosion in the newspaper, headline yesterday, a story that on the face of it looks to be one of the rawest and most vicious fakes ever perpetrated on the public.

PAPERS SHOWING DISRESPECT FOR LAW TO BE SUPPRESSED

THOMAS JEFFERSON said: "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." ... It would seem that there are a few people who want laws enacted to compel other folks to adopt their religion or politics or systems of healing the sick.

WHEN WAR ENDS LABORS BIG STRUGGLE BEGINS

By FREDERICK G. COULD. Member of United Socialist Party and Independent Labor Party. ... THE END OF THE WAR will mean the beginning of a new era in the history of the world.

GET YOUR PRINCIPLES RIGHT

By JOHN M. WORK. NAPOLEON Bonaparte once delivered himself of a wise remark. "I wish this 'OK' your principles right, and the rest is a matter of detail."

NEWS OF THE WEEK

TUESDAY, MARCH 2. Fifty-first American regiment arrives at Prague, Bohemia, and shortly all its officers. ... WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3. Congress passes bill to set American and foreign vessels from carrying arms and other supplies to the Americas.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

THURSDAY, MARCH 4. Assurances that German revolutionaries, for some time past, have been working together in various parts of the world. ... FRIDAY, MARCH 5. Women of world called to big peace conference at the Hague.

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UNDER THE DECISION OF THE Supreme Court there is not an honest newspaper in America that cannot be easily suppressed. ... THE ENEMIES OF FREE SPEECH, free press and religious liberty are busy now and the signs indicate that they are making substantial progress in their nefarious work.

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THE NEW YORK police are sure up for means to divert suspicion from themselves. They are trying that state Chicago game of bomb finding. ... THE CHURCH Union, organized for peace purposes, finds that "it is time to prepare for peace."

THE GINGER JAR

By WM. FRANCIS BARNARD. A fool for luck — and a fool to trust in it. Force the Dardanelles of special privilege with the good warship class consciousness.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

ARE YOU A VOLUNTEER? Have you sent your dollar for four sub-cards? ... SPECIAL — Remember Calumet-Ladlow Socialist Party card costs. See advertisement.

Rockefeller Gags the Truth

The Babbar Barons spend Millions to Control Education. What Shall Labor Do? Join the People's College Union!

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THE PEOPLES COLLEGE UNION is the one big union of the class struggle for education. Its purpose is to capture the public schools for the workers.

WHO WANTS A SOCIALIST PAPER?

By JOSHUA WARHOPE. I HAVE no need for a capitalist paper. I got all the news I want in the Socialist press. So spoke Fred D. Warren, the fighting editor of "The Appeal" in a recent address.

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THE fact is, all the great European powers are at fault, though the Germans, being thorough and intense in militarism as in many other things have led the way in martial zeal and ambition.

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THE Church Union, organized for peace purposes, finds that "it is time to prepare for peace." Now will this union kindly show us the way?

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THE COMEDY OF CAPITALISM

By CHARLES W. ERVIN

THERE is a man by the name of Bartlett who sits in Congress. He is a very much excited over the passage of the law that will interfere with the child labor law...

SENATOR Martin of Virginia has started us. Appealing to the Senate the other day to give President Wilson \$100,000 to pay the expenses of a Panama Party to celebrate in a "fitting" manner, the completion of the Panama Canal...

W. B. WOODRIF of Chicago who presides over the activities of the licensed gambling house called by courtesy the Board of Trade over heard of another speculator in the food of the people, one Paul of France...

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Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE
Some of the members of the National Committee do not like the mere vote body, but that must be the inevitable result...

MAINE-NEW HAMPSHIRE-VERMONT TRIUMPH
Being in a recent issue of The American Socialist an article by a New Hampshire business man...

DIVERGENT VIEWS
One of the chief objections made by our opponents and also by some of our comrades is the wide divergence of views held by socialists...

MATCHES UNLUCKY BROOD
The Capitalist has had such an unruly brood of ducklings that are constantly distressing him by dispersing themselves in a most chaotic manner...

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INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

CAN SELL ELECTRIC CURRENT AT 2 CENTS PER K. W. H.
The municipal electric light plant in Lincoln, Neb., sells current at 5c per k. w. h. which is about half the price at which the average privately owned plant sells its product...

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
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JUST OUT: Women Of The Future
By Meta L. Stern
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THIS COLUMN RECORDS THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR SUB HUSTLERS FROM WEEK TO WEEK

Table with columns for Last Week, Off, On, This Week, and Gain. Shows subscription statistics.

This week we have sent out a letter to every American Socialist hustler and to every local club...

Some time ago, we asked our hustlers to send us short letters telling of the methods they use in securing subscribers for this paper...

ROLL OF HONOR

- List of names and addresses of subscribers who have supported the paper, including E. F. Atwood, Otto E. Arova, and others.

BOOSTER CLUB

John Meyer, Chicago, Ill. sends this week in our BOOSTER CLUB. He is doing the best work for the American Socialist...

Shots At The Enemy

Nothing from nothing leaves the democratic party. Socialism will help the common man to help himself.

Before falling down and worshipping Rockefeller for his benefactions we should remember that if it were not for the workers who make profit for him he couldn't give a cent.

The members of the hundred families who own most of America do not feel the pinch of hard times. They continue to coin profit from poverty.

Young Rockefeller is going to Colorado to investigate the conditions of the miners but he will not take a single shot and look at the world from their angle.

By threatening and pleading and using the great power of his office President Wilson was able to force the democratic congress to keep a tight rein on the campaign promises...

Municipal ownership is not socialism but every time a gang that plunders and corrupts a city is lodged it is a jump in the right direction.

The monarchs who rush to the front are careful to apply the great principle of safety first. They halt their armies in the rear.

The news from Mexico sounds better but we can't tell how much of it is being manufactured in the interests of American capitalists.

The Illinois penitentiary is so full that there is a waiting list. Few of the new recruits would have chosen that boarding house if they could have found work.

BEBEL ON WAR

FOR MANY years August Bebel prodded and tormented the War Party of Germany. Like a torador facing a mad bull he tossed before the war lords...

IT IS A SAD thought that Bebel and Jaures are now gone and that in the midst of this world catastrophe the two greatest spokesmen of Socialism should not be heard.

HOWEVER, IT must not be forgotten that Bebel and Liebknecht stood by France in 1870, and that both of them in 1866 would have welcomed the defeat of Prussia by Austria.

Let us hope that the Allies can drive every German from Belgium; that Serbia can keep every foreigner out of her dominions; and that on the border of every nation stand helpers the invaders.

PEACE PROGRAM - THE TWO MAIN IDEAS

IN THE study of the war situation and the consideration of the problems involved, two main ideas emerge. The first is the necessity of formulating a program that shall serve as a basis for united, concerted and constructive action...

As to the necessity of a carefully formulated and comprehensive peace program for the Socialist party, we may say that up to the present time the party does not seem to us to have had an adequate program.

THIS LACK of a clear conception and especially the lack of agreement as to what should constitute the socialist program, was revealed in a most surprising manner the moment we of the American socialist party began to discuss the question.

SO WE NEED a peace program. The one suggested by the sub-committee of the national executive committee, is offered as a beginning.

Manchester, Conn. is an exceptional place in that its Board of Aldermen contains a Prohibitionist, a Socialist and a Democrat, as well as four Republicans.

Socialists at Barre, Vermont, closed their municipal campaign with a big meeting addressed by Cornelius Lehane.

The Michigan Socialist Party in convention at Lansing nominated candidates for state offices and adopted anti-war resolutions.

A French Socialist serving in Port Irving was angered by something that occurred and gave vent to his feelings by shouting: 'Long live the Socialist Republic! Long live the International!'

For the first time in his history, Richmond College at Richmond, Va. has had a Socialist lecturer.

The politicians and lawyers (with a few honest exceptions) terms nowadays) in Wisconsin are up against the same problem as are their brethren in Ohio.

Meyer London bears the distinction of having made the first Socialist speech in the famous Quaker Meeting House in New York.

It is a stern yet an inspiring task in which Socialism must attain even greater heights and broader conceptions than it has yet ever had.

Wake Up!

When the European war broke out our slogan was STARVE THE WAR AND FEED AMERICA. The National Office issued a leaflet by that name of which nearly a million and a half copies were distributed.

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Two New Leaflets

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The Rising Tide of Socialism

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By Ryan Walker