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VREDNOST STAVBIŠČ IN POSLOPIJ V. Z. D. PADLA MILJARDE DOLARJEV

Ugrabljeni prihranki

Ameriško ljudstvo je izgubilo milijone dolarjev v propadlih bankah. Izgubilo je milijone v delnicah in še več v stavbiščih in poslopijih.

Nikjer ni raketirska obrt, ki posega po dolarje v ljudske žepce, tako razvita kakor v Zed. državah.—V letih "prosperitete" se je začel velikanski dirndaj v oglašanju stavbišč. Ljudje so bili kmalu premeteni in kupovali. Za mala stavbišča, izmed katerih mnoga niso bila vredna niti \$50, so plačevali tisočak in več. Potem so morali šteti nadaljne stotake za "izboljšave". K temu je treba došteti še davek vsako leto. Prihranke delavcev žre stotisoče takih "lot" ali stavbišč.

Umetno določanje cen stavbiščam

V Chicagu in okolici jih je toliko, da bi na njih lahko zgradili dvakrat večje mesto nego je sedaj. Real estate kompanije so pokupile pred leti za male vsote farme, jih parcelirale ter napravile z njimi stotine milijonov dolarjev. V pasti teh "raketirjev" so se ujeli tudi številni naši rojaki.

Organizacija čikaških posestnikov (Association of Real Estate Taxpayers) pravi v svojem poročilu, da so posestva (hiše in stavbišča), ki so bila leta 1929 "vredna" \$10,000,000.00, padla v ceni že 37 odstotkov ali tri milijarde sedem sto milijonov dolarjev. Te številke vključujejo tudi vrednost posestev v glavnem delu mesta in v bogataških predmestjih, kjer so jim cene še vedno visoke, medtem ko je padla vrednost stavbišč v krajih, kjer so jih pokupili delavci, do 50 odstotkov in več. Sploh zdaj ni trga zanje.

Tisoče delavcev ob domove in lote

Okrajni sodnik Edmund K. Jarecki se ukvarja s problemom, kaj storiti s 450,000 stavbišči in hišami v čikaškem okraju, od katerih dolgujejo "lastniki" \$84,000,000 davka še iz leta 1929, pa ga vsled depresije ne morejo plačati.

Tri do štiri milijarde dolarjev so izgubili delavci in srednji sloji v čikaškem okrožju samo na znižani vrednosti posestev. Znižali pa so jo isti krogi, kakor so jo prej umetno dvignili in tirjajo od kúpevc vse do centa.

Stotisoči farmerjev, ki "imajo" farme, imajo v resnici le dolg. Njihove kmetije so last upnikov. Stotisoče delavcev in malih trgovcev ter obrtnikov ima hiše in pa prazna stavbišča, ki so njihova le po imenu. Plačali so zanje veliko več nego so vredna. Toda dolg je še vedno treba odplačevati, ali pa izgube takorekoč vse.

Brezbrižnost vlade za ljudstvo

Vlada Zed. držav skuša rešiti Nemčijo bankrotiranja, ne iz ljubezni do Nemcev, nego zato, ker ima ameriški kapitalizem v Nemčiji par milijard investiranih, pa jih ne bi rad izgubil. Ako bi bilo vladi za ljudstvo, bi skušala rešiti najprvo ameriško ljudstvo pred popolnim gospodarskim polomom, toda vlada tudi tukaj skrbi le za varnost velekapitala.

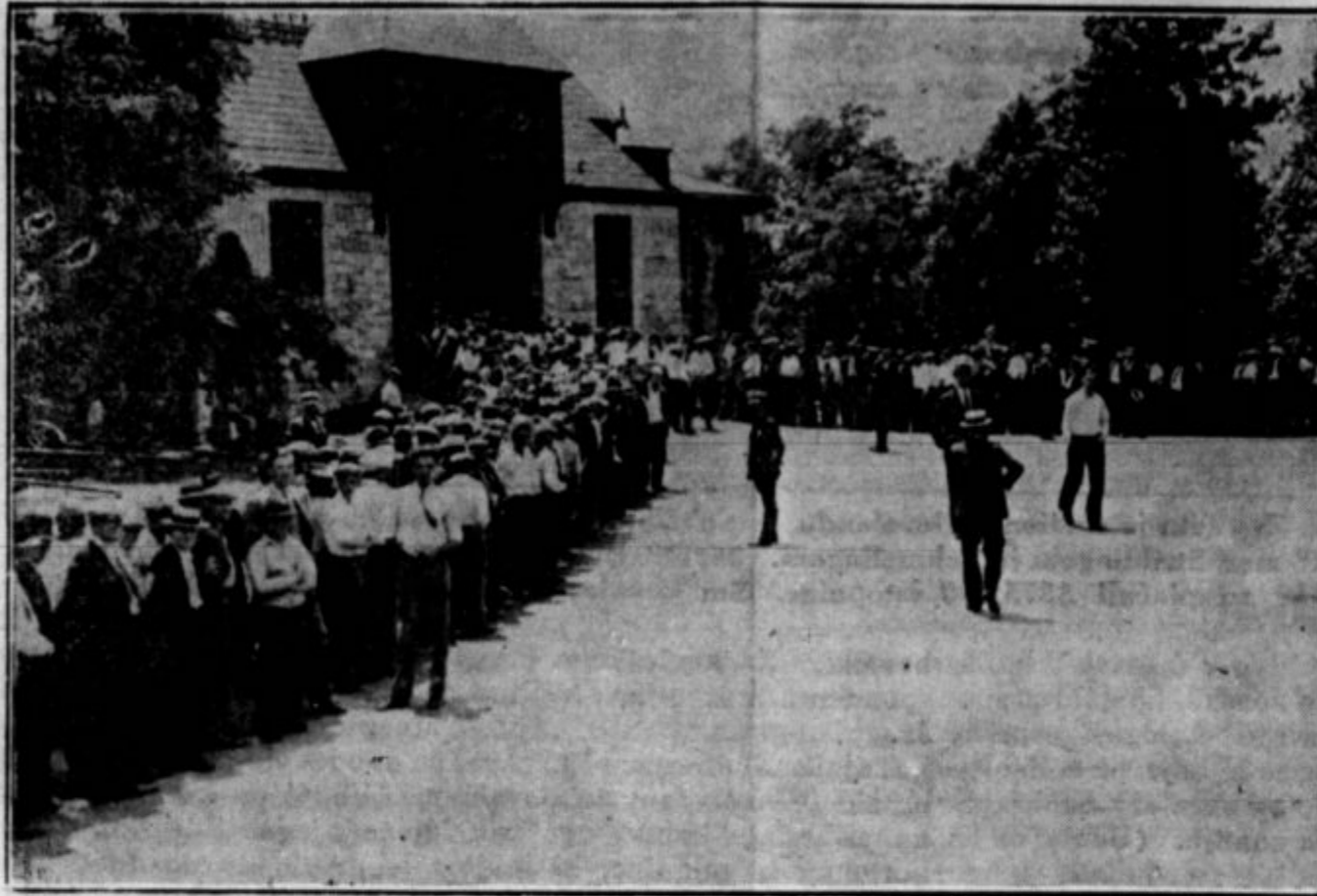
Ameriški kapitalizem je v svoji neukročni požrešnosti za velikimi profiti ustvaril razmere, v katerih bo ljudstvo—v kolikor že ni—v teku leta ali dveh izgubilo še tiste dolarje, ki jih ima. Bogastva se večajo, toda število onih, ki ga posedujejo, se manjša.

Čas je, da si vzame ljudstvo besedo

Milijonarski raketirji, ki so slepili naivne delavce in ljudi iz srednjih slojev s stavbišči in delnicami, so "prekrbljeni". Sede na milijonih, kateri jim še vedno naraščajo.

Ali, kapitalistični sloj v Ameriki še ni zadovoljen in se pritožuje, da imamo krizo zato, "ker je preveč socializma v businessu". S tem misli, da izvaja vlada nad trgovino ter produktivnimi in distributivnimi podjetji "preveč kontrole". Hočejo, da se vlada ne bi nič "umešavala" v njihove špekulacije. Toda če bodo te skušnje kaj izdale, bo ljudstvo poskrbelo, da pride res vsaj nekaj socializma v ameriški "business". Legalnim roparjem je treba ustaviti pot.

TISOČE APLIKANTOV ZA PAR STO SLUŽB



Uprava čikaških parkov na severni strani je sročila, da bo potrebovala par sto delavcev. Od prosilcev se zahteva, da so ameriški državljani in da žive že leta v čikaškem okraju. Vsak prosilec mora izpolniti veliko polo vprašanj, kakor zahtevajo določbe. V vrsti na sliki je bilo 3,000 aplikantov. Vsi so dobili pole ter bili izprašani. "Srečni" izmed teh so dobili službe, drugi jih bodo morali iskati dalje. Število brezposelnih v Chicagu je še vedno izredno visoko. Mnoge velike tovarne so skozi poletne tedne odpustile nadaljne tisoče delavcev. Obljubljajo, da se "v jeseni" obrne na bolje.

ŠIRJENJE PROTIFAŠISTIČNIH LETAKOV IN BROŠUR V ITALIJI

Vzlic temu, da ima Italija svoje meje strogo zastražene, prihajajo v njo protifašistični letaki in pamfleti v velikih množinah. Zaupniki jih skrivoma razpečavajo. Fašistično oblast je zelo razburilo dejstvo, da so bili prepreženi letaki poslani s fašističnim listom Domenica Del Corraie, ki izhaja v 1,200,000 izvodih. Na drugi strani vsakega izvoda je bil prilepljen letak, v katerem je bil srdit napad na fašizem. Vlada preiskuje in zapira osumljence.

Nepošteni advokatje

Nobena profesija ni toliko zapletena v razne goljufije, graft in v protektiranje zločincev ter drugih kršilcev postav, kakor advokatska. V čikaškem "sanitarni distriktu" so bili pri "legalni" kradnji ljudskih milijonov advokatje najbolj prizadeti. Velika porota je v svojem odloku, ki ga je izdala nedavno, priporočila odvetniški zbornici, da naj odvzame pravico izvrševanja odvetniške prakse devetim advokatom, 38 pa naj bi jih suspendirala, ker so prejemali od "sanitarnega distrikta" plačo; ne da bi zanje izvrševali kako delo. Služiti pa so morali stranki, katera jim je pripomogla do takih dohodkov.

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BOJ PROTI-SMRTNI OBSODBI OSMIH ČRNCCEV V SCOTTSBORU V ALABAMI

Obsovražnost zamorcev na jugu.—Komunisti in obrambne akcije.—Darrow o obsodbi in njenem značaju

V Scottsboru, Alabama, so pred tedni obsodili osem črncev na smrt radi posilstva. Obsodba je določala, da se jih umrti 10. julija na električnem stolu. Sodišče je predlog zagovorništv za novo obravnavo odklonilo in vsled tega je bil proti obtožbi vložen priziv na višje sodišče.

Zadeva teh revežev je dobila razredni značaj, dasi niso bili aktivni v delavskem gibanju; sploh ne vedo ničesar o njemu.

Za obrambo teh črncev so se zavzeli na svoj način tudi komunisti, ki so na zunaj najaktivnejši. Prirejajo shode nele v tej deželi nego povsod, kjer imajo svoje organizacije. Komunistični govorniki predstavljajo obsojene črnce za proletarske mučenike, kateri so bili obsojeni zato, ker so zavedni delavski borec. Trdijo, da zločina, radi katerega so bili obsojeni, sploh niso izvršili, nego si ga je kapitalistična justica izmislila.

Obrambni boj zanje vodi tudi Organizacija za napredek črncev, v kateri delujejo mnogi zamorski socialisti in liberalni elementi. Protest proti obsodbi so izrekli liberalni znanstveniki, pisatelji in humanitarci. Toda takozvana justica na jugu je razdražena in izgleda, da bo boj za osvoboditev težak kakor je bil za Sacco in Vanzetti ali je zdaj za Mooneyja in Billingsa, dasi je med obsojenimi zamorci in temi žrtvami razredne justice velika razlika. Sacco, Vanzetti, Mooney in Billings so bili res radikalni delavski agitatorji. Zločini, radi katerih so bili obsojeni, so bili res izvršeni, niso pa jim bili dokazani.

Sodni zapiski v Scottsboru pravijo, da je prišlo v vagon tovornega vlaka, v katerih je "trampalo" sedem belopoltnih

mladeničev in dve dekleti, deset mladih zamorcev. Črnci so začeli z nedostojnimi dovtipi na račun obeh deklet v vagonu, vsled česar se je začel prepir. V tepežu so črnci spodili belce ven in nato izvršili posilstvo. Bili so prijeti in oborožena oblast jih je rešila pred linčarji.

Obravnava se je vršila v atmosferi sovraštva proti črncem. Dohbili so najvišjo kazen, ki jo dovoljuje za take prestopke država Alabama. Zagovorništv zatrjuje, da dokazi sploh niso bili dokazi in da je eno deklet pričalo proti njim pod pritiskom. V borbi za njuno obrambo se je v tisku razširilo mnenje, da sta bila dotični dekleti navadni prostitutki.

Bilo kakorkoli, jasno je to, da so bili obsojeni v smrt ne toliko radi prestopka, ki ga jim očita obtožnica, nego ker so zamorci. Če bi npr. v isti državi izvršilo posilstvo osem belopoltnih moških na dveh zamorkah, ne bi bili v nevarnosti linčanja; sodišče jih ne bi obsodilo na smrt. Sploh bi se jim zločin ne štel za zločin. Obsodba proti zamorcem je krivična in razredna. Tako jo tolmači tudi znani odvetnik Clarence Darrow, ki ob enem graja komunistično propagando, katera obsojencem lahko več škodi nego koristi.

Eksekutiva soc. stranke se je na svoji seji v Pittsburghu 13.—14. junija izrekla proti obsodbi v Scottsboru, ker je bila izrečena iz sovraštva do črncev, in ker jim prestopek ni bil dokazan. Sodeluje tudi z naprednimi organizacijami črncev v obrambni akciji.

Velik deficit

Deficit zvezne vlade v prošlem fiskalnem letu znaša \$903,000,000.

41,000 DELAVCEV V SLUŽBI POLITIČNIH MAŠIN V CHICAGU

Davki so se v teku desetletja potrojili in početrili. Politične mašine demokratske in republikanske stranke namreč potrebujejo velika sredstva za vzdrževanje in podpiranje svojih agitatorjev.

V Chicagu npr. je bilo leta 1910 okrog 22,500 oseb v javnih službah, pred dobrim letom pa že nad 42,000. Mnogi teh sicer opravljajo razna potrebna dela, veliko pa jih vleče samo plačo iz mestne in okrajne blagajne v nagrado za svoje službovanje mašini. Razni škandali, ki jih "odkri-vajo", potrjujejo to z mnogimi dokazi.

Vsak mesec boljše

Prerokbe, da se zaposlenost večja od meseca do meseca, se ne uresničujejo. Delavski department federalne vlade pravi v svojem statističnem poročilu, da je bilo meseca maja zaposlenih 42,000 manj delavcev kakor aprila. Ako bi bile razmere "normalne", bi se število zaposlenih v maju jako dvignilo.

"New Leader" v posebnih agitacijskih izdajah

Newyorški socialistični tednik "New Leader", ki je vodilno socialistično glasilo v Ameriki, izide od časa do časa v posebnih izdajah, posvečene problemom, kot je npr. vprašanje brezposelnosti. Uprava lista apelira za posebna naročila. Sto izvodov stane \$1.50. Prihodnja posebna izdaja se bo imenovala "Hungér Edition".

GOSPODARSTVO DEŽEL V EVROPI GAZI V KAOSU

Nemčija v finančnem krahu.—"Požarna bramba" bankirjev neenotna.—Povečevanje finančne in politične krize.

V Nemčiji je šlo na kant nekaj velikih finančnih institucij. Vlada in nemški kapitalizem sta gospodarski krizi gladila pot v namenu, da ovržeta reparacije, a pri tem je zašlo nemško gospodarstvo res v opasne razmere. Najprvo so poslabšali življensko stanje nemškemu delavstvu do skrajnosti, potem so kajpada morali slediti drugi koraki navzdol.

Gospodarski polom Nemčije, ako se ga ne ustavi, bo občutno zadel tudi druge dežele, med njimi kapitaliste v Zed. državah, ki imajo v Nemčiji investiranih mnogo milijonov. Njim in kapitalistični strukturi na ljubo posreduje vlada Zed. držav in mešetari, da reši vlogo mednarodnih bankirjev in Evropo pred paniko. Bolj in bolj postaja očitno, da se kapitalizem ne more uspešno izkupati iz krize.

Učitelji in učiteljice socialno zavarovanje

Učitelji in učiteljice so se na svoji konvenciji v Chicagu izrekli za takojšnje zavarovanje delavcev proti brezposelnosti.

Yipselni v Readingu

Zborovanja socialistične mladinske lige v Readingu, Pa., se je udeležilo poleg lokalnih okrog 500 članov iz drugih krajev.

EN DAN ZASUT V VODNJAKU



Devetnajsetletni Howard Smith se je nedavno znašel v zelo neprijetni neugodi. Na farmi v Ottawii, Ill., je kopal vodnjak, ki se je podal ter mu zaprt režitev. Vzelo je skoro cel dan, predno so ga rešili. On je v sredi na tej sliki.

The Miners in Revolt

The mass revolts in the coal fields of Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia offer a great opportunity for the members of the Socialist party to get into close touch with the workers in one of America's most exploited industries. They also give further proof, as Louis Stanley's articles in successive issues of The New Leader are showing, of the futility of capitalist management of America's natural resources. Socialists everywhere can and should take advantage of the opportunity here offered for propaganda and for contact with the striking miners.

The breakdown in the Lewis-controlled United Mine Workers of America has added to the confusion and violence that usually occur during mine strikes and has driven many workers into the Communist-controlled National Miners Union, though few of the miners are Communists. It is our duty not to desert these miners. We must support them, both in spirit and with concrete contribution of clothing and money. Contributions for the Pennsylvania miners should be sent to the Miners' Relief Fund of the Socialist Party, 613 Lyceum Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The most hopeful movement among the miners at present is the West Virginia Workers' Union. This union is run neither by bureaucrats or fanatics. It has issued a strike call on July 6, in order to force recognition and a decent wage from the bosses. Aid is needed here also and can be sent through the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief, 112 East 19th street, New York City.

Let us show the workers of America that Socialists fight shoulder to shoulder with them in their fight against the greed of their bosses. Support the revolt of the coal miners!

— The New Leader.

How Long Will It Take to Encircle Poverty?

Man has encircled the world in nine days. So long as the world is encircled by poverty, what of it?

The world was encircled by poverty at the beginning of the nine days.

It was still encircled by poverty at the end of the nine days.

Ingenuity and bravery had been enlisted to make a machine go around the world.

No ingenuity and bravery had been enlisted to encircle poverty and stop it from encircling the world.

The newspapers gave their columns and their pages to the spectacular mechanical stunt.

They ignored the human suffering.

The world is full of goods. There is more than enough for all.

Yet men, women and children starve.

This is the important problem. While it remains unsolved, flying around the world, in nine days, startling achievement though it be, is comparatively insignificant.

A people that can make machines to fly around the world, and machines to produce a vast surplus of goods, can easily solve the problem of poverty if it wants to.

—Milwaukee Leader.

Dealing With Starving Men

Authorities in the coal region have nothing but their old technique of injunctions and murder for dealing with starving, desperate men. What is happening is the inevitable. The amazing docility of American workers is not immortal. Men will not and ought not to oblige the comfortable by starving quietly. What the coal miners are doing other workers will do next winter. All that the governmental agents of an owning class can think of is a little charity, much repression, and hope that things will turn for better! It is a policy or lack of policy as stupid as it is cruel.

— Norman Thomas.

They Are Constructive

The Commonwealth Magazine lists the Socialists among "destructive critics of the prevailing social system in this country."

It is mistaken. The Socialists are constructive. They are the most constructive citizens alive.

The prevailing social system would not be livable at all if it were not for the Socialist medicine that has been injected into it. Parts of Socialism have been introduced from time to time, due to some extent to conditions and largely to the urging of the Socialists. Capitalism is being gradually but slowly changed to Socialism before the eyes of the critics of the latter, and they don't know it.

The unemployment problem can be solved only by further changes toward Socialism.

Many non-Socialists now advocate the Socialist remedy for the liquor problem. It is safe to predict that when the eighteenth amendment is at last struck out of the constitution, many of the states will turn to the state dispensary system. They probably won't know that it is what the Socialist has always advocated, but that won't matter.

SEARCHLIGHT

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

What to do with the surplus wheat, which our Farm Board has bought up to help the farmers? That's the pertinent question confronting the Farm Board, the government, the farmers and the population at large. Reports are current that the Western farmers are selling their wheat at 38 cents a bushel. If the government unloads their two billion bushels the price will go even lower and the rest of the farmers will go bankrupt. If the government keeps the wheat until the price is improved the expense of the granaries and general warehousing is going to be so high that they will have to leave the wheat in payment of rent. If they give up the wheat to the millions of unemployed and hungry that again will take away the market price and bankrupt in addition all the storehouse and middlemen. So what to do with the wheat?

It is reasonable to believe that this year's crop is going to yield an abundance of wheat again. And that again will complicate the already complicated problem for the financiers. There remains only one thing to do. The government must take over the farms and collectivize them as has been done in Russia. It means that the days of government control, operation and distribution of the basic industries and farming is so much nearer because of this intricate problem. Laughter comes to us when we review the wheat situation. First the government is urged to buy wheat to stabilize the price. Now the government is urged to hold the already overhauled wheat to prevent a collapse of the wheat market. Where are all of the proponents, the captains of industry, who oppose the government's buying and selling any of the commodities? They only oppose government going into business when they have a sure thing. Now the government can hold the bag. With the prevailing system we can ask "Why does the government have the wheat?" And since it has the wheat, why not give it to the hungry? There's got to be a killing anyway. So let's get it over with.

A judge in Cook County will be asked to authorize 450,000 parcels of real estate to be sold for delinquent taxes in Cook County. The real estate owners claim an unjust increase and division of the 1929 tax assessment. They are asking a more equal division of the assessment. In the past years Chicago politics have been running wild and grafting and robbing all the money that came into the treasury. Things got so bad that the people just couldn't stand it any longer. So these taxpayers have rebelled. But we doubt that it will do the taxpayers much good to hold out. Not as long as these taxpayers don't align with a political party whose purpose it is to readjust proportionately the taxes of the County. While

they cast their votes for the Democrats and Republicans it's going to be the same.

The citizens and taxpayers of Chicago have a lesson to learn from Chanute, Kansas; a town of 10,277 population. For, in Chanute they have had no taxes for two years because the town owns, operates, sells and distributes its own gas, water and power. They own the plants which made enough money to pay for all governmental expense, so the people pay no tax money. If Chanute with ten thousand people can accomplish this, what should Chicago be able to do with its 3,500,000 people? Of course, we understand that big business doesn't want the city to go into the business of manufacturing, buying and selling. No sirree. — Only when it's necessary to save some big fellows neck. Otherwise, stay away from municipal ownership, they say. Put a county controlled power and gas plant in Cook County. Taxpayers, your votes are strong enough and you will be able not only to rid yourself of these high taxes, but you will be able to undersell everybody else, thereby getting gas and electricity at a greatly reduced rate from what you are paying today.

Labor Victorious in Fight Led by Socialists

Enactment of the "labor code" proposed by Senator Thomas M. Duncan, Milwaukee Socialist, is celebrated throughout the state as "labor's greatest victory". The document governs litigation growing out of labor disputes and limits the jurisdiction of courts with reference to issuing injunctions.

Jubilant in labor circles because of the passage of this code was somewhat tempered for the Socialists by another development of the final session of the state legislature. When Governor Philip LaFollette appointed an interim committee to study unemployment insurance which did not contain the name of a single Socialist legislator. Socialists have been active leaders for years in the fight to make Wisconsin the first state to adopt unemployment insurance legislation.

Wonderful Animal

Muriel had been to the zoo for the first time, and was giving her grandmother a long account of what she had seen.

"And which animal did you like best, dear?" asked her grandmother when Muriel had finished.

"Oh, the elephant!" was the reply.

"It was wonderful to see him pick up buns with his vacuum cleaner."

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Our Doings Here and There

By JOHN RAK

Good news from comrade Anton Vici reached our office last week. He tells us that with the help of the Ilersich brothers, a meeting of the Slovenes in Panama, Illinois, was called or organized a branch of our Federation. He further mentioned that Proletarec is now being subscribed by practically every Slovene in that city. This is indeed good news from Southern Illinois, where for a number of years our movement has been at a standstill.

The last regular meeting of the English Division of branch No. 1, Chicago, had a fair attendance. Two new members joined. Following the business session, comrade D. J. Lotrich gave an interesting review of current events. He stressed the progress of the Socialist movement in various countries and the problems confronting our government, such as the Farm Board and its surplus wheat. Other speakers gave interesting talks and were followed by a general discussion. Among the audience were also comrades Justin Saitz and B. Novak accompanied by his wife.

Our Sheboygan comrades of branch No. 235 JSF have arranged for a picnic to be held Sunday, July 26, at the Airport park. The committee has planned for many interesting features to take place and assures everyone a good time. Everybody is invited.

Pioneer Lodge No. 559 SNPJ, Chicago, promises the Slovenes and their friends another interesting day at their picnic, Sunday July 26, at Stezinar's Grove. Each year the Pioneers have given away a large number of valuable prizes in the many events that took place at their picnics. This year 50 cash gate prizes will be given to the lucky holders of their admission tickets. Other valuable gifts will be given away free to the winners participating in races and other contests. Children accompanied by their parents

FRAGMENTS

In the capitalist system profit is prior to and more important than the life and liberty of the workingman.—Eugene V. Debs.

"Liberalism" and "progressiveism" in politics are about as useful a working class movement as any other type of capitalist thought. When we rely on our own class we may make some mistakes; when we accept middle class ideas we will always make them and wander up blind alleys.—New Leader.

Let no man fear the name of Socialist. The movement of the working class for justice by any other name would be just as terrible.—Father William Barry.

Socialists never vote for a chicken in the pot but work to put capitalism in the pot and cook it to death.—New Leader.

We need free bodies and free minds.—free labor and free thought, chainless hands and fetterless brains. Free labor will give us wealth. Free thought will give us truth.—Robert G. Ingersoll.

During the World War we had wheatless days, meatless days, and most of the time brainless days. Now we have too much wheat and millions of starving men in the breadlines. The brainless are still with us and capitalism is their asylum.—New Leader.

The discipline of war, being a discipline in destruction of life, is a discipline in callousness. Whatever sympathies exist are seared.—Herbert Spencer.

Americanism: Denying citizenship to teachers who say they wouldn't bear arms; admitting gangsters who do all they can to harm the country.

BOLDNESS PAYS

A little more boldness like that of the W. Va. miners whose hunger march to Charleston got at least some results in relief may force the Hoovers and Mellons and the smaller fry politicians of the states to act in an emergency of sheer starvation. Labor is awaking. The hosiery strike in Stroudsburg, Pa. with its fresh examples of class "justice" and the silk strike at Allentown are other examples of the solidarity and courage that are more likely to block wage cuts than good words from so unexpected a source as President Farrell of the U. S. Steel Co.

The Brains of the Country

Confirming his decision to take a vacation, Mr. Coolidge made another contribution to the world's wisdom which again will, we take it, have a stabilizing and constructive influence." Says Mr. Coolidge: "The brains of the country need relaxation and refreshment more than ever this season. They owe a duty to themselves, their business and their associates to get more than the usual period of rest. . . This year above most others the brain and the hand need to be replenished by rest."

Let us not bother about the "hand". Some eight million pairs of the country's hands have been having much more rest than is good for their appetites. They would rather have bread, clothes and a steady roof than rest. But if the brains of the country "need a rest", we have not seen that they have worked, or if what they have achieved is the best they can do, they do not need a vacation, but a sabbatical year. The country needs a rest from them, if not for them.

Advance.

Relief Cavalcade Through Strike Area

The first major delivery of precious food supplies gathered under the auspices of the Miners' Relief Fund of the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania last week in June swept out of Pittsburgh led by a truck bulging with food and followed by a cavalcade of cars containing, among other passengers, Norman Thomas, nationally known Socialist leader.

A flying trip to the first trio of strike centers that could be served brought a sharply lined picture of mine war at full blast on a thirty-five mile front. At Imperial, Pa., a local of the Socialist Party is fighting the battle alone, the membership keeping the strike all alive in spite of the fact that they represent but 10% of the working force and have no national labor organization to back them.

A brief survey of the area showed State Secretary Limbach the entire male membership of at least nine Socialist locals involved. "RELIEF WILL WIN THE STRIKE" were the words echoed to Norman Thomas by rank and file miners and organizers throughout the area visited. "We will fight to the last bitter gasp if only we have food for men and families."

The Miners' Relief Fund is sending aid in the name of the Socialist Party to any locality where there is a strike, regardless of the organizations involved. But if our own comrades, even, are not to be betrayed, this work must be effectively aided. Every penny contributed will go for food, medicine, or necessary clothing—not one cent for "overhead". Send contributions to James Tait, Treasurer, Miners' Relief Fund, 613 Lyceum Bldg., Pittsburgh, Penna. Donations of clothing are also urgently requested.

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