

day, who voted for the war credits; the 'Socialist' Legislators at Albany who declared openly against Communism; the 'Socialist' District Attorney of Milwaukee, who imprisoned workingmen for breaking up a religious meeting; the 'Socialist' officials who called in the Chicago police to expel the Communists from the 1919 convention—all these 'comrades' are still members of the Socialist Party of the United States; in fact, they controlled the May convention."

And these pink-pale-pill Socialists voted for the resolution favoring affiliation with the clean-cut, revolutionary, fighting Third International, whose avowed object it is to crush capitalism and establish Communism thruout the world!

What Must Be Done.

What must a Socialist Party do, seeking membership in the Third International? **They must act.** They must translate Socialist principles into Socialist deeds; Socialism, the hope of the world, must be made a reality. The class struggle must no longer be a thing to toy with, but a real struggle of the working class against the exploiting class for supreme power. "All Power to the Workers." No compromise with the enemy.

Socialist Deputies, Congressmen or Aldermen—if such are ever needed—must "consistently denounce bourgeois democracy and social patriotism and also the falsehood and hypocrisy of social pacifism; they must systematically demonstrate to the workers that without a revolutionary overthrow of the capitalist state no talk of disarmament, no international arbitration, no League of Nations, can save mankind from new imperialist wars."

Eugene V. Debs, Revolutionist.

"It will be pointed out that the selection of Eugene Debs as presidential candidate proves that the American Socialist Party is a revolutionary party.

"It is a characteristic tactic of centrist parties to make use of revolutionary phrases, of revolutionary personalities, to deceive the working masses, to persuade them to follow opportunist leaders.

"Comrade Debs has a fine revolutionary record. All the more shame to the 'Socialist' leaders of the American party, who have ex-

ploited the imprisonment of Debs for their own selfish, non-revolutionary purposes, and who, in nominating him for President, once more attempt to cover up and justify their compromising and cowardly attitude—at the same time refusing to consider Comrade Debs' proposal for unity with the Communists.

"If the majority of the American Socialist Party endorses the decisions of this convention (held in May 1919), then we have but one thing to say to those honest workers who still may remain within the party:

"You are being deceived. The Socialist Party of the United States is not a working class party but an auxiliary organization of the American bourgeoisie, or world imperialism. It is not leading you toward Socialism—it is betraying you to the counter-revolution."

The foregoing extracts are taken from the document published recently by the *New York Call* of November 30, 1920. The "document" in full was first published in the *Russian Press Review*, October 1920, No. 5. "It is the first evidence we have observes the *Call*, that the application of the Socialist Party for affiliation reached Russia and was considered." "Whether," the *Call* continues, "this is intended as an official reply we do not know." (Subsequently *The Communist*, official organ of the United Communist Party, published the "document" as an authentic, official answer from the Third International.) Editorially the *Call* expresses the hope that other Socialist Party papers will publish the document so the membership may know the facts.

Certainly the membership should know; they should be told the truth; if those in charge of Socialist Party affairs are really interested in the working class and sincerely desire Socialism—Socialism in its working clothes, which means Bolshevism—they will blanket the United States with the "document" now under discussion. As the *Butte Daily Bulletin* recently observed editorially:

"With the coming into power of the Republican Party, British propagandists will be unable to function. This does not mean that the liberties of the American people will be made more secure nor that their standard of living will be increased. It does mean that the world stage will be cleared of its obstructions and the issue set clearly before us. The two great nations of the world—America and Britain—will fight for world supremacy. We shall