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## Marching On

(Extracts from the Spanish section.)

Nothing is still in this moment of supreme commotion. A breath of tragedy sweeps the world, and on its path break out the plants of discontent and protest, the natural fruits of injustice and tyranny.

The peoples, brutally awakened, jump to their feet. What is the fatherland, they ask, to be worthy of the sacrifice of the tranquility and of the life of our sons?

And in three single years of war, three years of chastisement, the peoples have learned more than in a hundred years of anarchist propaganda. The peoples are learning that that fatherland which asks for the sacrifice of wellbeing and the blood of the proletariat, is concentrated wealth, Capital, in a word, all the interests that a social caste, a privileged class holds in its power for its exclusive benefit.

This truth is taking root in the minds of the proletariat, and the fatherland loses followers among those who have no more patrimony than the creating force of their arms, at the same time leading the current of our ideas towards the principle of fraternity among the peoples, the principle that shall make impossible the war between the different nations of the world.

The obstacle to the fraternization of the peoples, the serious barrier that arises before that human aspiration and which impedes its attainment, is the principle of private property, the prolific fountain of discord that makes of man the enemy of man and for the safeguard of which the existence of the principle of Authority becomes indispensable. That obstacle, therefore, is the one that is logically destined to perish if the re-establishment of a permanent peace is desired among all the peoples of the Earth.

The day of judgement approaches more and more all the time. The peoples are tired of a fallacious war, and at the most unexpected moment the great capitalists dailies may excitedly announce that the proletariat have opened the grave where the social, economic and political institutions who depend upon war to perpetuate themselves shall be buried forever.

All indications are that it shall be the working class of the world who will bring peace about, who shall impose it in spite of the obstinate resistance of the capitalist class. The peace conference that is to be held in Stockholm, is the most patent manifestation that the popular masses have lost faith in governments, and they want to settle by themselves the relations existing among them.

The governments, most naturally, look upon such conferences with disgust, for they realize that with them they lose their prestige as the arbiters of human destinies, and that if they are allowed to function without protest, it is on a par with recognizing the proletariat as an authority to direct international affairs in a favorable way to its own interests as the producing class that it is.

The governments of the belligerent countries have refused to grant passports to the labor delegates designated to take part in the said conference. Such decision on the part of the governments has created a deep resentment among the proletariat, and it throws wide open the doors to rebellion.

The Stockholm conference, although of a political character, would result in a further step toward

the fraternization of the peoples, and patriotic sentiment, already deteriorated thru the eloquence of events would have the effect of dying in the proletarian hearts, with grave danger to the bourgeoisie, since it no longer would find soldiers to defend its riches cloaked in the name of patriotism. Premier Lloyd George, speaking in this regard, said: "Nothing would be worse than such conferences, when the proper way to restore discipline would be to prevent the fraternization between the soldiers of both sides at the front."

The bourgeoisie sees with horror the fraternization of the human races. The bourgeoisie wants to keep race hatred alive, in order to exploit patriotic sentiment in its favor. That is plainly seen in the words of the english minister.

Spain is the theater of violent scenes. The workers fight the soldiery and the police in several parts of the empire. Martial law is in force; the strike committee in Madrid is jailed; in Barcelona and Sabadell, the workers have been fought with artillery; the kinglet has taken refuge in Santander.

In England, the labor party confronts the government and names delegates to the Stockholm conference.

Canada, threatened with the general strike, dares not put in force the conscription law.

The french proletariat prepares the second act of the Commune; the revolutionary abortion of 1914 is a lesson that the italian proletariat has taken advantage of to bring about a formidable movement this time.

The russian provisional government resorts to extreme measures to prolong the capitalist system a little longer; Kerensky makes the threat that the revolutionists shall be treated with the same rigor that they suffered under czarism, and in spite of these threats and the executions, the soldiers refuse to fight for the interests that are not theirs; insurrections multiply in the army, the governor of Petrograd dies at the hands of a lover of justice; the dagger seeks the heart of Kerensky, and the second chapter of the russian revolution is about to open.

Before the specter of the Revolution, the Pope trembles, and sends a note to the governments of the belligerent countries proposing peace, a peace that satisfies neither the bourgeoisie nor the proletariat, because he proposes that things remain in the same state as they were before the war. The Pope sees with more clarity than the governments that the present war shall have as a result the insurrection of the peoples against the institutions that make war possible, and trembles. Hence his peace proposal. Here are the words of archbishop Bonzano, apostolic delegate of the Pope in the United States. "By the Providence of God—says Bonzano—the Pope appears in the precise moment to save the governments from a new danger that grows more threatening with each discharge of artillery at the front. Radicalism advances by leaps and bounds. The safety of the constitutional governments hangs on a hair.

"The note of the Pope—continues Bonzano—could be taken as a petition to the governments, that they give to their peoples a real democracy before it is too late, and they may not find themselves obliged to take by force or revolution what can hardly be expected to result from this war: a just

and lasting peace."

The first sparks of the Revolution in the United States have flashed during the last month in the States of Oklahoma, North Carolina and Georgia in which groups of American citizens, more or less numerous, have armed themselves and taken to the fields to resist the conscription law by means of force.

The motto of the revolution is: "The present war is for the benefit of the rich. Let us fight to death here, rather than die in the european trenches."

But do not think that the Oklahoma uprising has the conscription law as its only cause: misery is the one of its main springs. Two federal agents who joined one of the revolutionary organizations named the "Jones Family," in order to investigate, declare that one of the causes for the insurrection is the reigning discontent of the renters who have been reduced to utter penury by the exploitation of the land owners and bankers.

Discontent is general thruout the country. It is not the working class alone who is disgruntled and shows unequivocal signs of rebellion; a good part of the bourgeoisie is also dissatisfied. Arrests become numerous in connection with the strikes that increase more and more in number and in violence all the time; for evasion and opposition to the draft; for agitation against militarism; for conspiracies to effect armed uprisings or for preaching libertarian doctrines for the redemption of the human specie, but obnoxious to those who benefit from a system based on oppression, exploitation and misery.

Governmental tyranny has unbridled itself to such an extent, that even senators and congressmen show their discontent. In a late issue of his magazine, Senator La Follette sums up the situation as follows: "Today secret service men, United States District Attorneys, United States Marshalls, United States Court Commissioners and other Federal officials are frankly abusing their authority on every hand. People are being unlawfully arrested, thrown into jail, denied the right to employ counsel, or to communicate with their friends, or even to inform their families of their whereabouts, subjected to unlawful search, threatened, intimidated, examined and cross-examined, the most sacred constitutional rights guaranteed to every American citizen are violated in the name of democracy.

"It appears to be the purpose of those conducting these procedures to throw the country into a state of terror, to coerce public opinion, stifle criticism, suppress discussion of the issues of the war and put a quietus on all opposition.

"As a climax to all this, President Wilson, in his address at Washington, on June 14, gave utterance to this threat: 'Wee be to the man or group of men that seek to stand in our way....'

Professor Broughton of the University of California, who was recently arrested in Oakland for his opposition to the draft, declared before Federal Commissioner Krull: "Some laws are so vicious, that a little chaos is the only way to get them out of the war."

John L. Donnelly, President of the Arizona State Federation of Labor, speaking before the annual convention in Clifton, Arizona, recently said, referring to the assaults and abuses of which the workers have been the victims during the last few months: "When you see the legally-elected authorities throw down the law and set aside the power that has been

raised between the weak and the strong in the manner done at Bismarck, we have reason to fear the outcome. It is a beckoning finger to revolution, and thinking men and women realize that fact.

"The time has passed for quibbling. If the men of this nation are not secured absolute protection under the law, then we must do something to protect ourselves."

Referring to the same situation, David Starr Jordan recently said at a meeting: "The red flags of anarchy are woven when the peoples think, but cannot act."

The old order cracks weakened by its own crimes. Mends and patches, efforts and props are of no avail. Its fall is imminent. Only the deaf can fail to hear the crackle of its old structure; only the blind can fail to see the tottering that presages its downfall. The forces of misery are on foot and have set themselves in motion toward a new form of life more in harmony with nature.

Be all of good cheer, that we are on the lintels of a new era.

RICARDO FLORES MAGON.

## Workers, take notice!

The mining companies of the Miami-Globe district are circulating statements that the strike called against them July 1st, is over. Very few men are working in the mines, mills and smelters of the district, and no copper is being produced. The companies are trying desperately to secure competent miners and cannot do so.

Workers, keep away from the Mining-Globe district, and we will win our just demands.

Miami-Globe Branch Metal Mine Workers' Industrial Union No. 800, I. W. W.

## The Situation

(Translated from the Spanish Section.)

Yucatan, the State presented by carranzism as a model of what the goat-bearded chief can do for the happiness of all; Yucatan about which so much ado has been made in this and other countries in order to enhance the fading flag of don Venustiano; Yucatan, the State so famous for its highly liberal and "beneficial" laws, to the workers, the State in which the carranzism "Social Revolution" had implanted social, economic and political equality and where it was all clover, is now up in arms, against the hypocritical petty tyrant Venustiano Carranza, giving the lie thereby to the canards propagated by his hired labor skates such as: Loreira, Quintero, Jean, Ail, Rolland and the other cheats paid by Carranza to defraud the workers, obtain their support to put him in power by their sacrifice and blood shed in the battle field and, finally, turn his back on them when he that he had no further use for the "ribble."

A formidable socialist revolution was launched in the town of Opichen, Yucatan, in the early part of September, headed by Juan B. Euan, President of the Socialist Com. of that State, and seconded by Bruno Euan, Eulogio Boenail, Felipe Ayala, Remigio Csanova and several others, who have banded themselves expropriating and burning plantations and towns where the bourgeoisie has the upper hand.

They have assaulted, looted and burned the following haciendas (plantations): Edwigio Miy, Evaristo Gil, Martin Osalde, Liborio Brisenio, Juan B. Guiterrez and others; at the same time taking with them Rafael Coclio, a capitalist, asking for a \$5,000 ransom, which if not paid in the peremptory term of three hours it meant the death sentence of the bourgeois, without ceremony. They have released the prisoners in the paces taken and several "well to do persons" have been arrested and subjected to enforced labor, that they may have a taste of their own medicine.

Goat Whiskers (Carranza) doesn't know what to do to quell even that movement, for he finds himself surrounded on all sides by an iron circle and his forces meet with reverses everywhere. For instance, one of his best generals, Domingo Arenas, whom he had assigned the task of annihilating Emiliano Zapata and his comrades, was himself annihilated by the very same

ones he was to annihilate. In Tochmilco, Puebla, General Domingo Arenas, as well as his Staff and most of his troops were killed by the said revolutionists, in the early days of last September, during a bloody battle. By orders of Carranza, Cejudo Castro will substitute Arenas, that he may also be annihilated and at the same time leave more arms, munitions and many other valuable elements in the hands of our southern brothers.

Cejudo, Aguilar and other veracruz rebels, are taking possession of all the elements of war that Carranza is sending to his soldiers. Villa inflicts serious defeats to the carranzistas in southern Chihuahua, new revolutionary forces appear in the States of Nuevo Leon, San Luis Potosi, Tamaulipas and Coahuila, expropriating everything usefull and distributing it among the proletariat. Thruout all the Mexican Republic the revolution continues with increasing force, and the situation becomes worse for Carranza as his troops decrease rapidly by desertions, losses and defections. In the City of Mexico an uprising was planned for the 16th of September to depose Carranza, but the plot was discovered and Luis Mendez and others arrested.

So insecure is his position to Carranza, that he is organizing a body of 100 picked men, absolutely reliable and well paid, that with the name of Lancer's Corps will serve as the body guard of the lordling accompanying him wherever he goes.

But with guard or without guard, the head of Carranza is not safe upon his shoulders and he shall not escape the just popular fury nor the noose from which he shall hang from the historic cypress of Chapultepec. The propagands of our righteous ideals has already made thousands of new adherents, bent upon putting them in force; our Manifesto of September 23rd, 1911, is becoming the program of action among the revolutionists and the Red Flag of Land and Liberty numbers a still larger host of rugged proletarian fists that shall plant it on the corpse of the hideous capitalist system.

The Mexican Social-Economic Revolution is going to be seven years old, and is always heading towards victory, which it has to attain for it carries in its bosom the anarchist seed, the fruits of which shall bring Liberty, Equality and Fraternity to all the inhabitants of that region, regardless of race, sex or color.

Onward, comrades! From our perseverance, activity and help of all depends our speedy success! Onward!

ENRIQUE FLORES MAGON.

## GRAND

PEASANT BALL, under the auspices of the Worker's Friend Group, Saturday, Oct. 20, 8 P. M., at FLOWER AUDITORIUM, 1720 S. Flower St., for the benefit of the defense of ALEXANDER BERKMAN, who is threatened with extradition to be murdered with Tom Mooney in San Francisco.

Come to enjoy yourselves, show your solidarity and do your part in saving Berkman from the judicial cutthroats.

Good music and refreshments. Admission 25 cents.

## "ANARCHY ON TRIAL"

What is perhaps the most lucid and refreshing piece of literature printed since the historical speeches and "trial" of the Chicago Anarchists, is contained in "Anarchy on Trial," a booklet just issued, embracing the court speeches and proceedings of the "trial" and conviction of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman. It cannot fail to hearten and cheer the hosts of rebellion in these days of the modern Torquemadas.

The contents of the pamphlet are as follows: A Tribute, by Josephine Bell; some remarks and expressions, by Harry Weinberger, the radical attorney who took part in the preliminaries; Impressions of the trial, by Guido Bruno; Trial and conviction of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, by Leonard D. Abbot; Opening Session; Introductory Address by the Prosecutor; Berkman's Introductory Address; Address by Alexander Berkman; Emma Goldman's Address to the Jury; Address of the Prosecutor to the Jury; The Court's Charge; The Verdict, and several pointed quotations from speeches and writings of the defendants, read by them to the jury.

The booklet is a real and rare treat; more so when it is to seldom that we hear the voice of the oppressed and the per-

secuted raised in self defense when face with the monster of the present Democratic Inquisition. This bold challenge to American Prussianism, from two of the most brave and rugged champions of freedom in our ranks today, comes as an inspiration and stimulus to the overwhelming number of the wavering ones who have allowed the present hysteria and reaction to work on their nerves and fears.

After reading the book thru, it leaves the striking impression of a courtroom being turned into a forum for the teachings of Anarchy; and it does not take a very close perusal of its contents to find that the forces of Darkness and not the defendants were on trial. Indeed, the pompous dignitaries representing these forces are

made to resemble a queer sort of menagerie under the fire of their victims, and a good sample of the proposition they were up against can be gleaned from the opening address of the prosecutor: "Unfortunately I am sadly lacking in the eloquence of words that has distinguished Miss Goldman's oration. I am pald to talk for a living (Bravo!), but I am sure that if Miss Goldman wanted to accept a position in the government service (ouch!) she would secure the finest kind of position by reason of her oratorical gifts."

The booklet also contains two fine portraits of Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman and can be had by mailing 40 cents to Mother Earth, 226 Lafayette St., New York City.

R. G. C.

## In the American Bastiles

(Translated from the Spanish section.)

The San Francisco bomb case has come to the extreme of becoming international; so raw is the plot of Fickert and his capitalist masters to murder the Mooney, Billings, Weinberg and Nolan that even to Russia has extended the stench of the corpse of Liberty, assassinated in this country if that is the Liberty and Democracy that he wants to carry to Europe.

Wilson, caught with his fingers in the jam, squirms like a worm, and in order to be able to send his labor fakers to go and hoodwink the russians, since Root and his pack of bourgeois baiters had to leave Russia with their long tails between their legs, is now sending a federal commission to investigate the case of Mooney and his comrades, as if much investigating were necessary to behold Fickert licking the toes of the arch-perjurer Oxman at the same time that he crushes Mooney; as if great observation were necessary to see the partiality of the San Francisco authorities in their efforts to wipe out the persecuted labor agitators.

The new attempt against Alexander Berkman, in trying to send him to the gallows with Mooney and his comrades, for having been the first one to denounce the crime against them, has also provoked a wave of protest and indignation in Russia, which comes as a further boost to the prestige of Kaiser Wilson. In Petrograde, capital of Russia, several thousand Bolsheviks (radicals) arose in protest against the arrest of Berkman, denouncing this country as being dominated by the bourgeoisie (in which they are well justified), and then repaired to the American Embassy to make a hostile demonstration; but the provisional makeshift government sent troops to prevent it.

Berkman continues imprisoned in New York. According to the cobwebs of the Law, Berkman being a federal prisoner, cannot be extradited to San Francisco in a State case; but as the laws are only so much toilet paper in the hands of the bourgeoisie and its dogs of authority, it is justly feared that Berkman may be brought and delivered to the hands of the cannibal Fickert and his hounds; which would mean a certain death, since, unfortunately, the degenerates like Oxman, Orchard, McManigal, Donald Vose and all the rogues of the same stripe abound in this corrupted and damned society.

To better demonstrate the sort of Justice, Liberty and Democracy that exist in this country, an unjust and brutal persecution has cut loose against the I. W. W.'s, Treaca, Gurley Flynn, Giovannetti, Haywood and more than 160 Industrial Workers have been arrested in one day all over the country, just because a menial upstart has decided that in this way he will end all opposition to the government and all discontent against tyranny and the unbridled exploitation of the present day; but that poor official oyster is sadly mistaken. The stupid idiots in power shall end by forcing the workers to arise in arms so much quicker.

Comrade Agustin Diaz, accused of speaking against the war, which is a terrible crime, since we must not think with our own heads but with those of our lordlings and taskmasters, must have been subjected to the regular judicial farce on the 21st of September, in Canton, Ohio. We have had no further news of late about his case or the case of comrade Jose M. Gardea and the other victims of persecution in Arizona.

Our old comrade Diego Pena, also accused of the crime of thinking with his own head, managed to escape from the

Waco, Texas jail, leaving the american Molochs to chafe themselves. How refreshing!

ENRIQUE FLORES MAGON.

## THE MAGON CASE

The hearing of the Magon Appeal continues a matter of conjecture so far, and while it had been announced for the month of September, Attorney J. H. Ryckman, in charge of the case, received no such notification, and expects the hearing to be called at any time.

## FLASHES

The model citizen of the United States today is a chunk of meat with no more equipage than a pair of blank eyes and a yellow string to be pulled around at leisure by the gods. Are you a model citizen?

"Woe be to the man or group of men that seek to stand in our way."—Wilson. Can Wilhelm beat such generosity? Making the world safe for democracy, dontcherknow.

If the radicals and pacifists had broken the law one per cent. as much as Woodrow Wilson and his war gang have by making a door mat of the Constitution (shades of Jefferson!), there would be no lamp posts enough to hang the "disturbers."

It is disgusting enough for "socialists and radicals" to join the carnage for plutocracy, but to do it without a word of protest against a few profit-hogs (attending themselves from their blood and hide, is—well, just a little too many.

With the declaration of the pope against conscription and in favor of the referendum for war, what has Kaiser Wilson to say? Oh you Jeffersonian!

It is incredible (but so all the same) that the Russian workers resent the Mooney outrage more than the American peons do, and that it be due to the just indignation of the workers of Russia and not to that of the slaves here that the horde of American justice-rapers have been finally forced to take notice and loosen upon their prey. Queer doings, these.

No longer have the Russian people to plot and conspire in the dark in order to express themselves. That only remains for such backward and barbarous countries as "free" America. Happy Russia!

How would you like a horde of hungry politicians with outstretched palms, begging for your vote and after being elected kick you on the soft side of your breeches and tell you to keep your mouth shut or be thrashed. Eh? Well, look at the Washington gang.

"Where Liberty is, there is my home."—Franklin. "Where Liberty is not, there is my home."—Paine. Have you liberty? Have you a home? Don't all speak at once!

The Russian workers have established the six hour day and more than doubled their pay. What say you, you free American peons?

"It is impossible to give the soldier a good education without making him a deserter. His natural foe is the government that drills him"—Thoreau. So say we.

"War is hell; it is cold-blooded, wholesale murder, but we are now in it, and the time to oppose it has passed. It is now our duty to do all we can to help it along." Such is more or less the marvelous argument of the Bryans, the Gomperses, the Russells, the Spargos, etc., etc. In other words, if your house is on fire or your dear ones are being ravished, it is all too bad; but since it is now too late and you can't help it, why, just as well help the job along. See! Can you beat it?