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RUSSELL ANSWERS QUESTION, WHAT CAN THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST DO IN THIS WORLD WAR CRISIS?

Charles Edward Russell, who has already written two articles on the European war for *The American Socialist*, has just returned to New York City from Europe. He immediately entered the congressional campaign as Socialist party candidate for United States senator in New York state and answers the question, "What Can the American Socialist Do in This World War Crisis?" as follows:

American Socialists have the greatest opportunity that ever lay in the hands of any people in the world. If the Socialist vote this fall in the United States shows an increase, that fact will be the great rallying point for the Socialist movements of Europe that now seem broken and in so many different fragments.

More than that, an increased Socialist vote will be a vital spot just at this time because never have so many people realized the reality power and deadly results of capitalism. If the American Socialists direct the thoughts of these awakened millions into the right channels; that is to say, to the abolition of capitalism, a movement will undoubtedly be started that will go around the world. I should say that if we wanted to set so that in November we could strike a blow at capitalism from which it could never recover and thereby secure in the end the peace of the world, we must strive to increase our numbers. Nothing but the death of capitalism will save Europe from horrible devastation.

EXPLOITERS RULE COURTS—ROB TOILERS OF JUSTICE

"GOOD" JURORS CHOSEN TO RETURN VERDICTS FOR EMPLOYING CLASS

American workmen are murdering and sending to prison and to jail men of their own kind. That is a strong statement to make. Yet here are facts that will prove it beyond doubt.

The life of Carl Person, Socialist, fighting editor of the militant organ of the striking railroad shopmen, is in the shadow of the gallows at Clinton, Ill., where he has been put on trial for his life by the Illinois Central Railroad because he was staunch and true to the class that toiled.

The story of Carl Person has been told to the workers of the nation. The workers have elected the tools of the railroads to office in every county of the state of Illinois. The same is true in other states. These elected officials are the jurors who are selected to try the case of the workers.

WORKERS WILL BE GUILTY. That is why Carl Person is in danger of being legally murdered. And if he is murdered the workers will be guilty of his murder.

The same condition exists in every city and town where a jury is selected to try the case of a workman brought into court. It is true in Colorado where the coal barons dictate the selection of jurors to try hundreds of striking miners now languishing in jail.

It was true in the case of the Milwaukee Leader, when a damage suit was brought against it in an effort to crush this organ of the working class. Anti-Socialists were put upon the jury by the haters of Socialism to crush this Socialist mouthpiece.

One of the biggest strongholds of the money power is the courts. The power of big business presses down upon the entire judicial system from the highest judge to the lowest bailiff.

It is proposed in this article to show how "the system" controls one branch of the judicial system—the selection of jurors.

"FAIR" TRIAL CLAIM IS LIE. Much has been said in defense of the jury system—how it results in a "fair" trial to the high and the low. Every well informed man knows this to be a lie. The best of "the system" selects jurors to suit his own purposes. Only those men are selected who will act as the tools of "the system" in fighting the workers.

The facts brought out in this article are based on an investigation of the manner in which jurors are selected in Cook County, which embraces the nation's second largest city—Chicago. But the same situation prevails in every city and county in the country.

Wherever a helpless worker is hauled into court in strike or lock-out; wherever the toiler seeks fight for his legal rights; wherever the best of "the system" is ever present "fixing" the jurors.

This subject is of especial interest right now because the workers are again asked, to elect our officials who are to run their county governments, the judges among them. It is important to send representatives of the working class, Socialists, to the state Legislature and to Congress. But it is just as important to capture the county governments to elect judges from the working class and to see that jurors return verdicts fair to the working class.

HERE ARE THE FACTS. In this article it will be shown that in Cook County (Chicago) the master class secures court verdicts in its own behalf because:

First. The great bulk of the jurors are selected from men in 10 occupations whose entire mental attitude is against the workers.

Second. The 1,723 jurors were selected from these 10 occupations which are anti-working class, only 100 jurors were selected from men in 4 occupations who are fighting the battles of the toilers against the capitalist system.

Third. That there are 1,623 different occupations in Cook County (Chicago) but the jury commissioners confine the selection of the great bulk of the jurors to the 10 occupations.

Fourth. That workers in 37 occupations organized into the Chicago Federation of Labor are completely barred from jury service, thus making it easy to secure ver-

SOCIALISTS IN WAR TO CLEANSE MILWAUKEE COURTS OF CAPITALISM

By Socialist County Supervisor Frederic Hecht.

THE jury system in Milwaukee, Wis., the same as everywhere else, is simply rotten. For a time the Socialists got it partially corrected, but the corporation attorneys and the emissaries of the interests got at the judges and forced it back to the old lines again.

As a result capitalism is jobbing labor in the courts under the eyes and with the smiling acquiescence of the capitalist judges, who are elected in non-partisan elections in order to keep the people from really exercising a choice. The non-partisan elections are managed by the capitalist newspapers at the behest of the corporations and big business men. What cannot be accomplished by capitalist picked judges and a judge picked jury commission, appears to be done by tampering with the jury lists.

SOCIALISTS CAMPAIGN FOR LABOR. Along in 1908, when the Socialist party began to be a local power, the Socialists in the Federate Trades Council caused a committee of which the writer was one to be sent to the circuit judges, who decide on the three who serve as a jury commission, to demand that labor be given representation on the commission.

It was pointed out that with all three commissioners from the Republican and Democratic parties the commission was partisan, not non-partisan, and that as a result the selection of names for the jury panel was unfair to the working class, and in fact produced juries in trials in which workmen were involved that were almost hostile to labor and therefore not impartial.

Some of the judges admitted the logic of this claim, which was borne out by the way in which the corporations won out in damage suits brought against them by injured workmen, and when the next appointment was to be made, named a man suggested by the labor committee.

The result was that from that time the jury lists were no longer made up wholly of trustees of the corporations, straw bosses, ward heeled, would-be aristocratic clerks, business men and the like. The railroads, street railway, steel company and other big labor crushers ceased to get verdicts in the courts as they formerly had, while the workman began to get something like justice.

Meantime the Socialist jury commissioner had been nominated and elected county treasurer by the Socialist party and had to resign from the commission. The subversive judges, tired of the pressure from the corporations, caved in and again put an old party-lie on the commission.

The railroads and factories began their law suits again, and the only thing that saved maimed workmen from getting the same old court does is that there is now a state workmen's compensation law, to which many resort.

HOW CAPITALISM FIGHTS WORKERS' PRESS. The sort of present day juries that the working class interests must put up with was well shown recently in the \$30,000 libel suit against the Milwaukee Leader, the Socialist and labor daily of the city. A large tin box is kept in the clerk of courts' office vault, which is kept filled with names by the jury commissioners.

All Milwaukee capitalism was interested in the Leader libel suit, as it was dreamed that it might be the means of crushing the paper. The time of trial was known and the kind of jurymen's names that were furnished by the commissioners would cut a figure in the trials then coming on.

The jury panel for that time was drawn, as usual, from the box, by the commissioners in open court—that is, at a table at one side of the bench, while the judge was attending to regular court matters.

The clerk of courts was supposed to give the box a shaking up prior to the drawing, but a perfunctory shake would not change the relative positions of the name-slips in the box, at least to any degree, and if the names in the box had previously been closely sorted and the right kind secretly put on top, by some one having the opportunity, it was likely that the kind of names would be drawn that were desired by some one.

These are suspicious, but the fact remains that the names that were drawn were of the most remarkable sort, mostly members of the Catholic church. When the judge who was to try the Leader case called for jurymen, the clerk in the calendar court drew the requisite number from the box containing the names, with the slips unfolded so he could see what names he was drawing "by chance" from the box.

When the case came to trial it was before a jury over half Catholic. It was more than a coincidence; it smelled to heaven. When the jurymen went out they took a ballot or two, spent some of their time in talking and in looking at the papers, and then came with a verdict against the Leader for \$17,500 damages, in a case so flimsy that its thinness was town talk.

PREJUDICE WENT TOO FAR. But the jury had overplayed the game. The verdict became a scandal, lawyers spoke their minds freely about it, and finally the judge set the verdict aside and ordered a new trial. But how he could sit in peace and see his courtroom violated by a flagrant travesty on justice, is the thing still marveled over.

The jury system, as applied by capitalism all over the country, is a shame and a crime, but in Milwaukee it is outrageous, and the time is not far off when labor, which always has the majority of votes, however it may cast them, will decapitate these professional judges who insult the word justice by fastening capitalist juries upon the people. Labor has shown immense patience, thus far, but the time of reckoning is not as far off as some of the judges may imagine.

diets against organized labor. Fifth. That one real estate man out of every 100 is drawn for jury service, while only one carpenter out of every 700 ever sees jury service. Sixth. That many jurors are selected from the "silk stocking" suburbs of Chicago, while few are chosen from the working class districts. Seventh. That those chosen from the workers' districts are usually employers of those subservient to them. Eighth. That one result of this pernicious system is the fact that the Chicago Trades Union Trust wins practically every personal injury suit brought against it.

The investigation was made by a committee of lawyers, John H. Lally, chairman, to the Lawyers' Association of Illinois. The Chicago Bar Association includes the so-called "higher class" of lawyers. The Lawyers' Association of Illinois includes in its membership the more plebeian attorneys who do not receive huge fees from

gigantic corporations. This committee made a thorough investigation of the selection of jurors in Cook County (Chicago). It reported: The jurors investigated are those sent by the jury commission to the Superior Court commencing with the September term, 1913, and up to March 1, 1914, numbering 3,440.

PICK CAPITALISM'S SERVANTS. Of the 2,759 jurors whose occupations your committee were able to ascertain, your committee finds that the great bulk of them, or in round figures 1,723 of them, were picked from 10 occupations, as follows:

Lawyer	250	Merchant	50
Business man	150	Stockbroker	50
Real estate man	100	Banker	50
Physician	50	Insurance agent	50
Minister	50	Hotelier	50
Teacher	50	Druggist	50
Journalist	50	Artist	50
Scientist	50	Musician	50
Engineer	50	Farmer	50
Other	50		

While from men who work in 64 occupations, most of them organized into the labor unions, the ridiculous number of 100 jurors were taken. In addition to selecting 1,723 jurors

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Forget the War in Europe and "See America First"



FROM THE MASSES.

BATTERIES OF POVERTY WILL SOON BOMBARD EVERY HOME IN AMERICA

By A. M. SIMONS

EVERY hideous feature of war will soon be made still more hideous by the coming of winter. On the battlefield, in the hospitals, and, most of all, in the homes of those left behind, new tortures will appear with the first cold blasts. It is doubtful if this war will slacken with the coming of frost.



It is a final struggle for the existence and domination of so many things—of nations, races, rulers, classes—that even winter will scarcely cool the hot heat of murderous passion.

In America the war will certainly grow fiercer. The batteries of poverty will bombard every home at closer range. The encircling ring of besieging high prices will press nearer to every table. The desperate army of the unemployed will be swiftly recruited and will rush more fiercely upon every shop door and batter harder at the crumbling wage scale.

Already, in the great cities the hungry hosts who are clamoring for work and food are throwing the rulers into a panic. In New York and Chicago the capitalist press alternates between frantic appeals to the charitable for rose water with which to spray the flames of discontent, and equally frantic efforts to deny that any problem exists.

Here is a war which concerns every family dependent upon a wage-earner for subsistence. It is a problem of vital importance to at least 80 per cent of the population. Yet it is a problem concerning which you will listen in vain to hear a single word from any candidate for office on the Republican or Democratic ticket.

The Socialists saw this problem coming at the first threat of war. They called for action to meet it. They are still organizing to meet it. They will continue to fight this horror until it is fought out of existence.

The Socialists believe that no question is so important as the question of the misery of a nation of workers. They believe that the war upon poverty in America is of more interest to Americans than the war of rulers in Europe, and they know that the most important feature of the European combat is the misery it is bringing to the workers of this country.

Ask the Republican, Democratic, Progressive, and non-partisan candidates what they propose to do about the suffering of the men, women and children of the working class in America. Ask them what they will do about unemployment, high prices, monopoly—any of the things in which you are interested.

Then look at the Socialist party platform and the statements issued by its national organization. Then decide where your interests demand that your vote should be cast.

who might wish to engage Seidel in preparing to initiate a bill in the next state Legislature providing for an eight-hour workday for all classes of labor, except in emergency work. "No matter what may be one's views about Socialism, if it is the power that can bring this war to an end, the duty of every man and woman who is against bloodshed is plain. A. M. Simons, Socialist state executive committee in staff."—The Pittsburgh Leader.

Ohio Right!—The Ohio Socialist state executive committee in staff.

Sweden to Go Socialist as the Result of War?

Returns published in the capitalist press regarding the brilliant victory of the Socialists in the Swedish elections just concluded are misleading.

If the Socialists gained 14 seats in Parliament as reported this would give them 87 members and make them the most powerful parliamentary group. The capitalist reports that the gain of 14 seats would give the Socialists 57 members is clearly an error, since the Socialists already had 73 members.

Reports Become Intelligent. With this correction the capitalist press reports become more intelligent. The loss of 14 members for the Liberals, giving them 57 members in the new Parliament, is evidently correct, since they had 71 members in the old Parliament. The Conservatives, having elected 86 members are reported to have made no gains, and this is correct since they previously had 86 members.

This correction for the Socialist success then accounts for the 230 members of Parliament the Socialists had elected. The Conservatives are reported to have made no gains, and this is correct since they previously had 86 members.

Thus the Socialists have gained 14 seats at the expense of the Liberals when reactionary elements of the world over are heralding the downfall of Socialism as a result of the European war.

Wage War Against War. The Socialist war again war is making Socialism the most powerful political factor in Europe. King Gustaf dissolved Parliament last spring when it refused to put through his military program and a special election was held. Before the election the parliamentary representation stood as follows: Socialists, 64; Conservatives, 64; Liberals, 102.

After that election the results showed as follows: Socialists, 73; Conservatives, 86; Liberals, 71. Thus in this fall's elections the Socialists have overcome the Conservative lead and far outstripped the Liberals.

Start Anti-Socialist Clubs.—The upper law of northern Michigan are still organizing anti-Socialist clubs. They are now planning to consolidate all of these organizations into the Copper Country Anti-Socialist Club.

Prosecute Election Officials.—Socialists of Spokane, Wash., are planning to have unfair election officials in the recent primaries prosecuted.

THE BIGGEST THING THE SOCIALIST PARTY HAS EVER ATTEMPTED

A CALL TO ACTION!
By WALTER LANFERSIEK
Socialist Party National Secretary

The time has come when the Socialist party of America must strike a decisive blow. It must do some splendid, heroic thing. The task must be great enough, inspiring enough and well enough worth while to enlist every energy of the Socialist party, to stir every courage into action, to bring every Socialist power into co-operation. In short, it must be such a task and such a purpose that it will be a common cause for all and common every element of Socialism in America.

Where is there such a purpose? We think we have it:

TO START AT ONCE A CAMPAIGN TO DOUBLE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY IN THIS COUNTRY.

That is big enough to be inspiring. Because with our membership and working force doubled, we can more than double our political victories; more than double our propaganda, and multiply every activity 100 per cent.

It is also a most practical thing—in fact, it is an inevitable necessity. For unless our membership grows and develops, our movement cannot progress and for every Socialist wants to see others joining him in the work; every local needs recruits, and every county and state organization must develop and increase its working force. In short, everything depends upon the membership. Every activity of the party, every local, every campaign, every candidate, every newspaper and every publication must fall and fail if the membership dies down. Therefore, it is as necessary as the life of the membership itself.

To this great task, therefore, the national headquarters of the Socialist party, through its national executive officials, summons every Socialist force in America.

THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST, now made the official organ of the Socialist party, opens its columns to lead in this particular campaign. In every succeeding issue from now on we shall run at least one special feature article on organization methods.

Watch for these articles. Read them to your workers. Act upon them.

As national executive secretary, I shall assume personal charge of this important campaign. We shall call upon every state secretary and organizer to help us with brief articles on how best to double our membership. We shall send a series of follow-up letters to every local of the party in America, explaining the plan of campaign and outlining methods of work and telling the comrades how to proceed. In this way we shall not only call every force into action, but we shall supply every worker with the very best suggestions, instructions and advice the experience of the American movement can give.

The National Office calls for a general advance all along the line—from the Golden Gate to York state, from the prairie to the sea, from ocean to ocean:

Double your membership—Every member get a member—Every month, if possible, every year, at least.

Watch **THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST** next week for the first article on how to do it, written by Carl D. Thompson. Others will follow—one every week.

GET WAR LEAFLET No. 2—HOW SOCIALISTS WOULD MEET THE WAR CRISIS 75 Cents per 1000, Prepaid 75 Cents West of the Rocky Mountains

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National Executive Committee
Vernon L. Brown, 600 First St., Milwaukee, Wis.

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PROPOSED NATIONAL REVISED BY-LAWS
By the American branch of the Socialist party of Jameson, N. Y.

PROPOSED NATIONAL REVISED BY-LAWS
By Local Sec. Ind.
That the following be added as a plank to the Socialist platform:

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By Local Sec. Ind.
That the following clause be added to the National party platform:

PROPOSED NATIONAL REVISED BY-LAWS
By Mount Angeles Local, Washington.
To initiate this plank in our national platform:

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JOIN THE BIG CAMPAIGN NOW TO SECURE "ONE MILLION VOICES FOR SOCIALISM"

THE slogan of "ONE MILLION VOICES FOR SOCIALISM" was inspired by Charles Edward Russell, writing from the field of slaughter in Europe...

We are forging ahead! Last week we published the membership report for the month of July and August. The showing was not as good as you had expected.

But September showed a substantial increase! Watch for the September membership report by states that will appear in next week's issue of The American Socialist.

In the meantime you have just one more week to get into the "Great Membership-Subscription Contest" of The American Socialist. If you don't know about this contest then study up in the last two issues of The American Socialist.

CANNOT ENTER AFTER OCTOBER 15. You cannot enter this contest after October 15. You can enter before that time by writing The American Socialist and stating that your local has decided to send The American Socialist for 40 weeks to every new member enrolled.

THE TIME TO ENTER THIS CONTEST IS NOW. After October 15 your local cannot enter. That time is fast approaching and you cannot afford to delay.

Do not forget that the individual members who are responsible for the securing of the greatest number of new members will receive the finest watch charm which we have in our jewelry department.

Some of our new locals. The locals that ask to be admitted this week in OUR GREAT MEMBERSHIP-SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST line up as follows: New London, Conn.; Alamogordo, N. Y.; Mountain View, Ill.; Harsh Hill, Mo.; Pine Lawn, Mo.; Home Heights, Mo.; Longwood, Mo.; Gardenville, Mo.; and Maplewood, Mo.

Dear Comrades: I transmitted to W. J. Bell the action of your committee in a resolution which was submitted at the recent meeting. I am today in receipt of the following:

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "Dear Comrade: I have your letter of the 24th inst.

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "Please call to the attention of the Executive Committee that I have no request for lists of local secretaries.

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "Please request of the committee a circular to all local parties in the line of the following:

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "National Committee for Texas." Fraternally submitted.

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "By a referendum just closed L. E. Katterfeld has been re-elected state secretary of Wisconsin.

W. Lanferiek, E. B. P. Chicago, Ill. "The National Office has been notified by O. G. Van Schoyck, state secretary of Ohio, that Local Cincinnati, Ohio, at a special executive session...

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THIS COLUMN IS FOR ORGANIZATION

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. Carl D. Thompson. 1. Good literature, carefully selected and used in the right way, it goes without saying that there should be plenty of literature at every meeting in every campaign.

2. Canvass every audience for recruits. No meeting is complete unless it draws in the net for new recruits. It may not be wise to take in members by the wholesale, but we should have some method of getting permanent results out of our meetings.

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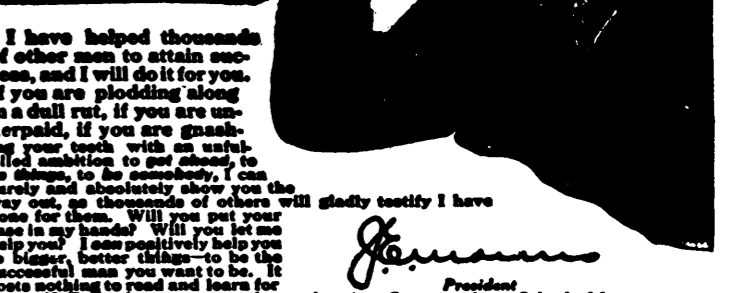
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Holland Declares for Embargo. Holland has decided to prevent the exportation of foodstuffs from Holland to Germany or to other countries now at war.

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Comrades, the party needs a very understanding of the situation...

We must avoid a repetition of this in the case of the American Socialist...

COMRADES, WE MUST INCREASE AT THE RATE OF AT LEAST ONE THOUSAND...

BLACKLIST LABOR. There are 76,000 mechanics affiliated with the Chicago Building Trades Council...

ROLL OF HONOR. J. J. Connelley, Berkeley, Cal., is using the American Socialist in his propaganda work...

William H. Linnel, Chicago, Ill., brings in 15 names this week.

Ernest Diney, Houston, Tex., one of our best workers, sends in another list this week...

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Table listing occupations and number of jurors: Automobiles 9, Barbers 14, Bookbinders 14, etc.

CLASSES AMONG JURORS. The jury commissioners assert that they make no distinction or discrimination in the selection of men for jury service...

BLACKLIST LABOR. There are 76,000 mechanics affiliated with the Chicago Building Trades Council...

ROLL OF HONOR. J. J. Connelley, Berkeley, Cal., is using the American Socialist in his propaganda work...

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Capitalist Press is Silent

Every editor of every capitalist newspaper knows that the jurors who listen to the evidence and find the verdicts in the courts of the nation are practically hand-picked by the master class.

Yet they are silent. The damning evidence in the report of the Lawyers' Association of Illinois in public property. Nevertheless, except for a small notice in the Chicago Tribune, the contents of this report have been smothered up for the present.

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Among Books. "HOW TO REDUCE THE COST OF LIVING" BY MAX BURGHOLZER, EUGENE, OREGON. PAPER, 32 PP. TEN CENTS A COPY.

"THE LAUNCHING OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD" BY PAUL F. BRISSENDEN, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA PUBLICATIONS IN ECONOMICS, VOL. NO. 1, 82 PP. NOVEMBER 25, 1913. 75c.

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CO-OPERATION IN ILLINOIS. A letter just received by Alton, first vice-president of the Illinois Federation of Labor, tells us that the co-operative sentiment is spreading rapidly among the workers of this state.

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England Stops Sugar Corner; How About U.S.?

BY WINNIE E. BRAMSTETTER. The attempt to corner the sugar supply of England has been effectively checked through the intervention of the Royal Commission of England by the establishment of a form of state Socialism.

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Why Not in America? If the Royal Commission of England can control the price of sugar in a war-ridden nation, then surely the food supplies in America can be

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