
Engdahl Quits Chicago Office: Editor and Third International Partisan Resigns County Secretaryship

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CHICAGO, July 21 [1921].— J. Louis Engdahl, Secretary of the Committee for the Third International, organized within the Socialist Party, has resigned as Secretary of the Cook County (Chicago) party organization.

Engdahl's resignation followed the action of the County Delegate Committee in removing him as editor of the *Chicago Socialist*, the official party publication and the only party organ espousing affiliation with the Third International.

The party's executive was willing to retain Engdahl as Secretary of the Chicago organization, but the spokesman of the radical forces in the last three national conventions of the Socialist Party demanded a complete break. Engdahl's successor has not yet been chosen.

Engdahl became editor of the *American Socialist*, organ of the national Socialist Party, when it was established in 1914. As editor he was indicted during the war with other Socialist officials, convicted, and sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment by Judge [Kennesaw Mountain] Landis.

Engdahl was ousted as national editor following the Chicago national convention in September 1919, in which he espoused affiliation with the Third International.

He then took the editorship of the *Chicago Socialist*, successor in Chicago of the *American Socialist*, suppressed during the war by the Burleson censorship. He also became Secretary of the Chicago organization.

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