

in the world, the best-educated Socialists in the world, the most sincere, and convinced and trained Socialists in the world, but they are still there. [Hon. Members: "In concentration camps."]

THE ONLY WAY TO PEACE.

Some of them in concentration camps, some of them in exile, but the big mass of them in the German population.

And I was to go out and slaughter those fellows in the interests of democracy. No!

I admit that for us it is very very difficult, as my right hon. Friend the Member for Bow and Bromley (Mr. Lansbury) recognised, to put an alternative to this position, which appeals to the mind of the practical politician who thinks in terms of guns and power politics.

But the only way in which world peace can be secured is by the common people of the world stating in no uncertain terms their determination to have peace, their determination to end Imperialism, their determination to construct new forms

of social order which shall not have the power ideal as their aim and object but the ideal of human brotherhood and fraternity.

A BREATHING SPACE.

That is my Socialist conception, and anything that I can do throughout this world, in Britain or in Germany, to bring that general conception to a point where it becomes practical politics will be done.

I congratulate the Prime Minister on the work he did in these three weeks and, in saying that, I do not accept his social philosophy.

I do not accept the political philosophy of those who sit behind him.

I do not believe that that political philosophy can lead to anything but misery for humanity, and I will use every effort I can to employ the breathing-space that has been vouchsafed to us, not merely to make this nation safe, but to make the world safe, the world secure, the world prosperous, and the world happy."

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