

## Postcard Showing Portraits of Social Democratic Reichstag Deputies (1890)

## **Abstract**

This postcard shows the thirty-five members of the Social Democratic Reichstag caucus, with August Bebel (1840–1913) and Wilhelm Liebknecht (1826–1900) in the center. The deputies were elected in February-March 1890 for a five-year legislative period, but it was cut short prematurely in 1893 when Otto von Bismarck's successor, Chancellor Leo von Caprivi (1831–1899), called an unscheduled election to pass his Army Bill over the opposition of Social Democrats and others. On the reverse side is an ironic obituary notice for the Anti-Socialist Law, which expired on September 30, 1890.

## Source



Source: Commemorative Card with the Members of the Social Democratic Fraction of the Reichstag. Lithograph (1890). Printer: Jean Holze. Hamburg, 1890. Deutsches Historisches Museum, Berlin. Inv.-Nr.: Do 73/351. Available online at: http://www.dhm.de/lemo/bestand/objekt/ju007693

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