

Debs Column

The Wall Street Twins

Time was not so long ago when there was some actual difference between the two branches of the capitalist political organizations known as the republican and democratic parties.

The Appeal's Challenge

When William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, was in Chicago recently, he offered in an address the following two solutions of the evils of the capitalist system:

Keep Muscle Shoals, Warns Public Ownership Head, as Big Battle Opens

OF THIS CONTINENT IN THE YEARS AHEAD WILL OWN AMERICA AND BE THE MASTER OF THE PEOPLE MORE COMPLETELY THAN ANY OTHER MASTER IN HUMAN HISTORY.

In this titanic struggle Muscle Shoals is the immediate objective. And in this fight those who believe in public ownership and democracy have this one advantage: Muscle Shoals is already a government property.

Debs Moves for Socialist Party Support of Miners

In order to get quick action in support of the miners and the public growing out of the recent coal strike, Comrade Debs is using the American Appeal as the medium to present this motion, get it seconded and have it voted upon by the N. E. C.

Two Socialist Governments Enter Into Binding Peace Agreements

A little seven-line item tucked away in an inconspicuous part of the daily capitalist papers tells the story of a great Socialist and peace triumph—a far greater victory for essential peace than the League of Nations and the Locarno Pact.

consistently toward disarmament and peace ever since their rise to power. Thorvald A. M. Stauning is the Socialist premier of Denmark.

Anti-Alien Bills

The whole country should be aroused in opposition to the alien bills known as the "Alien Registration Bill" and the "Alien Deportation Bill" now pending in congress for the purpose of still further persecuting and hounding those who may not be found to be "wholly Americanized."

Delivering the Goods

Workingmen in the aggregate learn slowly indeed, so slowly that one almost despairs of their ever freeing themselves from servitude.

Norris Bill Opens Muscle Shoals Fight

The Muscle Shoals issue has been thrown wide open and one of the most important fights that will come before Congress during the present session precipitated by a bill introduced in the Senate by Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska.

Foresee 1926 Slump

Leading financiers are predicting a considerable deflation during 1926 from the present amount of Coolidge prosperity.

Here's a good line on capitalism—

Our capitalist administration in Washington willingly sacrificed \$2,000,000,000 of the people's money to bolster up the Fascist dictatorship in Italy.

Predicts Labor Victory

The Montreal Star publishes the prediction that the British Labor Party will come into complete power at the next election.

It Works in Queensland

The 50 retail butchers' shops owned and controlled by the Queensland Labor government showed a profit of \$73,134 for the last year's operations.

Nearing the Breakdown

When six jobs were offered in London recently 3,000 men fought each other to get them.

Stage Set for Mexican Uprising and Intervention, Says Writer

(The following article was written for the Appeal by a writer who has lived in Mexico during many of its troublous years and is intimately acquainted with the Mexican situation and what is known as the "back" behind the stage.)

The primary right of Mexicans to their own resources and restrict still further alien capitalists who try to monopolize them. But what is most objectionable is not the particular phrasing of the statutes. It is the meaning of this latest step and of other steps forward in Mexico. IT IS THE FACT THAT LABOR'S POWER IS BEING MORE AND MORE FELT IN THE "BACKWARD" REPUBLIC SOUTH OF US. AMERICAN CAPITALISM SENSES THE MENACE AND ACTS WITHOUT DELAY.

Appeal Army Column

By the way, are you on the honor roll? Did you receive the "American Appeal"? If not, mail post haste at once a dollar to "American Appeal," 2563 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois. Tell them you are alive and with them. Send your procrastinating soul if you dare to delay!

Did Secretary Kellogg Bulldoze Mexicans?

Senator La Follette has offered in the Senate a resolution calling upon Secretary Kellogg to disclose the secret pledge, if any, extorted by the American government from the Obregon government of Mexico in 1923 in return for recognition.

Party News

Pittsburgh Celebrates

Well, there is room for only the biggest things of the week. These Pittsburgh comrades have just had a splendid banquet and a festival of fun-and-business.

Progress in Mexico

It is quite apparent that our Wall Street rulers are not favorably impressed with the labor administration of the Republic across the Rio Grande. President Calles and his cabinet are too rigidly honest to be cabined as Diaz was and too flawlessly courageous to tolerate any impertinent interference from the outside with their domestic affairs.

The Truth About the Debt Settlement With Mussolini

By Marx Lewis (The Apostle's Washington Correspondent.)

Coolidge's friendship for the Mussolini regime in Italy was cemented during the past week at a cost of approximately \$2,000,000,000 to the American people when the House ratified the agreement for the "settlement" of the Italian debt to the United States.

Can Be No Peace Under Versailles Pact—Berger

Washington—An amendment offered by Victor L. Berger to the resolution providing for an appropriation for the expenses of American delegates to the Geneva conference...

Polish Socialists Win

The Polish Socialist Party has become powerful enough to compel the majority parties to adopt part of its program. It has agreed to support the government and permit members of the party to become respectively...

Tense Struggle in Austria

The powerful Socialist party in the Austrian parliament is waging such a determined and violent fight for the people on questions of unemployment and rent that it is winning large non-Socialist elements to its support on these measures.

Italian Labor Fights Back

Despite the fact that the Fascist government is exerting itself to the utmost to force the Italian workers into the Fascist unions, and is collecting dues forcibly from the payrolls of the workers, only 10 per cent of the workers have joined the Fascist unions.

Farmers Getting the Idea

The Producers' Alliance and the Equity Association, two farmer organizations of the Northwest, have merged. The Alliance is a farmer organization that corresponds to the trade union movement. It is an organization of farmers for the purpose of preventing cut-throat competition among the farmers in selling their produce.

West Virginia Labor Awakes

West Virginia, the paradise of non-unionism in the past, and the base selected by J. P. Morgan on which to start his new giant soft coal trust, has entered a new era of labor organization, says Clinton Golden, field representative of the Brookwood Labor College, who has been touring that state.

California Plans Convention

The California comrades are in the ring and going home. Comrade Emil Herman's six months' work in that state has surely set the state well to the front in the fray. The California Socialists will hold a state convention in San Francisco, February 21.

Indiana to Meet

The Indiana State Executive Committee held a meeting in Indianapolis state headquarters Jan. 18 and set May 22 and 23 as the date for the next state convention to be held in Indianapolis. Eugene V. Debs will be on the job with the delegates to add his might to the success of the convention.

The Finnish Federation orders 1,500 dues stamps, and Comrade Reivo writes: "Our stamp sales have been larger this month than for many months past.... Hurrah for the American Appeal...."

Finland's Foundations Quiver

"Hill's foundations quiver" as the old hymn has it, when the ranks of the Sunarise reform so solidly and march on so steadfastly toward the day of emancipation. Comrades, the long long night is over, the dawn is beginning to appear!

One Hundred Per Centers

The First National bank of New York city this year paid 100 per cent dividends on its nominal resources of \$1,000,000,000. Doubtless the stockholders were a stronger army and navy and a few fascist beside, to protect their interests.

A Lovely Pair

Fascist organizations have been launched in six states of the commonwealth of Australia. Australian Labor Party officials have obtained possession of a letter written by A. Kirby Hewlett, organizing secretary of the British Fascist to Captain J. O. Hatcher, organizing secretary of the Australian Fascist, which among other things says:

Iron Meel in Italy

The Labor and Socialist International with headquarters at Zurich, Switzerland, reports in its latest letter that the Fascist terror following the alleged attempt on the life of Mussolini, is operating with such violence that the United Socialist Party is still forbidden, its former official organ, "Giustizia," is not allowed to appear and that the Socialist deputies belonging to this dissolved party are attempting to start a new party, "The Socialist Party of the Italian Workers." There has been a movement to combine the United Socialists and Maximalists, another Socialist party, into one organization as the answer to Mussolini's attempt to crush Socialism in Italy.

Iron Meel in Italy

There is only one way for the common people to successfully cope with this situation—AGITATE, EDUCATE, ORGANIZE, POLITICALLY AND INDUSTRIALLY—BEAT THE FASCISTS TO THE CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT

Iron Meel in Italy

There's a line on what the Church Youth Movement meant in its recent resolution when it denounced the present system as a "profit-motivated" system: From Florida come the news that a dangerous smallpox epidemic is raging down there now and that Kiwanis clubs and the papers are united to suppress the news. The business interests behind these papers and Kiwanis clubs would rather see thousands of innocent people drawn into Florida at the risk of their lives than to miss the present fat opportunity to get them down there and fleece them. Private profiteering does not balk even at murder under circumstances of criminal deception.

Iron Meel in Italy

In Turkey they are hanging reactionaries—that's more than they ever did in the United States.

A little exploiter is generally a great deal smaller than a big one.

No Enemies, You Say?

You have no enemies, you say? ... You have no enemies, you say? ... You have no enemies, you say?

Why Dum-Dum Bullets?

Why Dum-Dum Bullets? ... Why Dum-Dum Bullets? ... Why Dum-Dum Bullets?

Brain-Drops

Brain-Drops ... By GLENGARRY ... Brain-Drops ... By GLENGARRY

MELLON, presumably ... MILLION worked for wages ... MELLON worked for wages ... MELLON worked for wages

The Indirect Appeal

The Indirect Appeal ... By Lincoln Phifer ... The Indirect Appeal ... By Lincoln Phifer

Many Hotels in Florida ... A Closed Corporation ... Many Hotels in Florida ... A Closed Corporation

Young People's Department

That New Member! ... Without hating down any definite plans for accomplishing this we can recommend first that the new comers be properly received into the circle.

Women's Department

Everybody is rich these days. Why worry about "the poor working class"? ... As the old farmer said about the giraffe at the zoo, "There ain't no such animal."

The Filling Station

When the Man from Away Back came for more gas, Joe, the Service Man, was ready for him. ... "I have a sockoluger for you," he said.

Appl Pellets

Appl Pellets ... By Lincoln Phifer ... Appl Pellets ... By Lincoln Phifer

Letters to Judd

By Upton Sinclair

LETTER IV. My dear Judd: We are studying our money system, with the idea of understanding how it causes the rich to grow richer and the poor poorer.

Appeal Pellets

Appeal Pellets ... By Lincoln Phifer ... Appeal Pellets ... By Lincoln Phifer

Tax Cut for Rich As Vast

Public Projects Go Begging

By Jacob Panken ... It does not occur to Congress that we are facing a condition in this country that requires the development of super-power.

The American Banking System

THE PRIVATE CONTROL OF CREDIT IS THE MODERN FORM OF SLAVERY.

by a set of figures which speak for themselves. The \$5,000 a year man gets a reduction of 90 per cent, they say, while the \$500,000 a year man only gets a reduction of 60 per cent.

Bundle Order

Hurry Back

Form with fields for Name, Street Address, City, State, and a section for the bundle order details.

Ten Million Dollars Cash for an Answer

By George R. Kirkpatrick

Embarrassment

The modern machine is loaded with death and life, with death for Capitalism and with life for labor.

A twentieth century question now haunts the twentieth century business man, a question new in size, new in kind, new in meaning, new as a threat, new in power to compel the industrial reconstructor of society to answer. A satisfactory answer to this question would promptly answer a score of other important questions. This is well known to the best known business men of the world.

Hammering and thundering at the front door of every big-business council hall in the world is this commanding, domineering question demanding an answer—soon. On the walls of these council halls great bankers, manufacturers and railway kings read: "The collapse of Capitalism; then the great reconstruction and the rule of the world by the workers of the world—if this question is not answered—soon."

The greatest business men in the world read the writing on the wall, look into one another's faces and inquire: "What shall we do with this question?" The lordly British Manufacturers' Association, and the smooth, smug and strutting American Manufacturers' Association would gladly give ten million dollars cash for a satisfactory answer to this question. Seven million American farmers would be happy to pay ten million dollars cash for a satisfactory answer to this question.

Answer this question, rationally, and the danger of war will be largely removed from the affairs of mankind. Now, what is this question?—this first-in-the-list-of-heretofore-problems-in-political-economy-for-the-twentieth-century?

The Question

The question, the problem, is simple—but charged with revolutionary changes that will rock the world; it is the supreme question, produced by Capitalism and utterly unanswerable by the capitalists in a manner satisfactory to the capitalists themselves, because the only sufficient answer possible must free the workers from the chains of industry-for-profit system, must destroy the ARBITRARY RESTRICTION ON THE LIFE OF LABOR. Here is the question:

With industry conducted primarily for profits (as now), WHERE CAN A SUFFICIENT MARKET BE FOUND FOR ALL the goods that all the workers in all the world can produce, if all the workers of the world are PERMITTED to work and work with modern tools, modern machinery, modern knowledge, with modern scientific ways and means—but with the PURCHASING POWER (the wages) of the workers of the world ARBITRARILY RESTRICTED BY THE MASTERS' PRIMARY PURPOSE, PROFITS?

In other words: How can the world market be made sufficient for the world product—with the world product MULTIPLIED by science and invention and the world-market arbitrarily RESTRICTED by the purpose and practice of industry-for-profits?

The wage-system (Capitalism) produces this problem. The advance of industrial science increases this problem. The expansion of Capitalism—with modern machinery and knowledge—into territory with a 900,000,000 cheap-labor population, that is, into a field where the restriction on the worker's buying power is still more restricted,—this also increases the problem.

A vast surplus of goods unsalable at a profit is unavoidable. A huge army of laborers unuseable at a profit is inevitable.

Thus another question arises: Shall labor be shot if it refuses to rot?

Thrown Out to Rot

Surplus labor is surplus life. Labor, for scores of millions of people, means life.

Life is life. Labor, unuseable at a profit, is surplus labor. And thus the life of the workers, unuseable at a profit, is surplus life. (That is, under Capitalism, the industry-for-profit system.) Unemployment indicates surplus life.

Life can't be used at a profit. Life won't be used at all in industry—under capitalism.

Unemployment of willing workers clearly indicates that the producing power, the producing life of society, has expanded beyond the dominant purpose and dominant practice of those in control of industrial society.

The dominant purpose of Capitalism is profits. The dominant practice of capitalist industry is the payment of labor with less than the value of the product of labor.

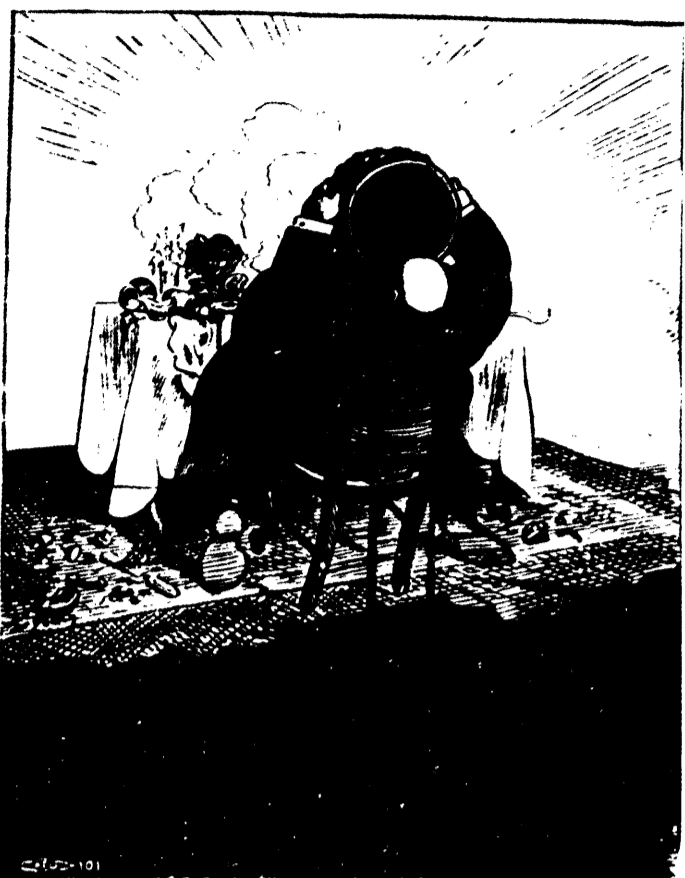
Labor will not be purchased by the capitalist unless it can be used at a profit, because the PURPOSE OF THE PURCHASE IS PROFITS.

Thus the right to make profits out of the life of labor is brutally placed above the worker's right to live, that is, the worker's right to live by labor—profits or no profits.

The worker is forced to say: "I must have work—or starve."

The Capitalist is permitted to say: "My purpose is profits. To hell with the right to work."

Bananas unsalable at a profit are surplus bananas.



—Art Young.

THE SURPLUS

The masters can't eat the surplus.
The masters can't drink the surplus.
The masters can't wear the surplus.
The masters can't waste the surplus, not all of it.
The masters can't sell the surplus.
The masters must sell the surplus or sink the system.



—Galert.

OUT OF WORK

(Surplus Life)

The workers are able and willing to produce abundantly but they are not permitted to consume abundantly.

Many wars in the past grew out of under-production—a struggle to get more.

Wars in the future will grow out of over-production—a struggle to sell more.

The World War is directly traceable to over-production. The World War came at a time when in three of the leading capitalist countries of the world 8,000,000 wage earners were denied the right to work and therefore were denied the right to consume and were, therefore, so far, denied the right to live, but given the right to rot.

When a man is denied the right to live it is likely to attract his attention.

In these three countries—England, Germany and the United States—and in several other capitalist countries the vast army of the unemployed were increasing alarmingly, threateningly. The millions of unemployed were thinking.

In the capitalist states of the world were other millions working "short-week," "part-time," and were, thus, so far, unemployed. They also were thinking.

Many other millions were threatened with unemployment. These also were thinking. Taking advantage of the workers' plight the masters were cutting wages, and making still other millions think.

The working class press was beginning to shake the world. The workers were being forced to enter politics as a class, and defend themselves—as a class—with the powers of the state.

The working class was booming along up the road to power.

The Alarmed Masters

Kings and emperors, tars and presidents, bankers and manufacturers, railway masters and employers' associations, boards of trade and chambers of commerce—all were thrilling with alarm.

In 1914 nearly ten million workers were surplus, unemployed, unuseable—at a profit. They were the human bananas ripe (ready to work) but unsalable, and therefore ready to rot, ready to hunger, shiver, sicken.

You can not throw 10,000,000 men into the alley to sicken and shiver—and then urge the police of the world to club them, jail them and drive them out of town, as the industrial carrion of capitalist civilization.

This the masters know. The one thing supremely necessary was a market for what the workers of the world could produce. But there was no sufficient market.

It became necessary to replace reason by passion. The world was tense. The thundering march of the peaceful advance of the working class to power could be broken up by waving the black flag of capitalism, inviting the workers to butcher themselves—butcher the surplus workers—and also create a larger market.

Masters Welcome War

Came the World War, welcomed by the industrial masters of the world. The World War relieved the pressure:

1. The World War created a vast market.

2. The World War absorbed the unemployed millions; furnished "employment" to the surplus millions engaged in self-destruction and to those who "supported the fighters at the front."

3. The World War killed off nearly ten million men of the working class; and thus also "relieved the pressure."

4. The World War drowned reason with blood and passion.

The World War "solved the labor problem"—for a while.

The World War cannot have cooled.

And now again the army of the unemployed increases. The industrial capitalists are puzzled, stumped and

dumb again—eager for an answer for the problem created by Capitalism, increasing under Capitalism, and threatening the collapse of Capitalism—the problem of sufficient market. Here are some facts in the life of four great capitalist countries that illustrate the situation:

England is equipped to produce yearly 12,000,000 tons of steel and could easily increase equipment; but she has a market for only 8,000,000 tons of steel. Other industries are in similar condition; and the army of a million and a half is increasing—for lack of a market.

Japan is prepared to produce far beyond the market available for the goods she does produce; and yet has a large and increasing army of unemployed, and even threatens war for the control of China as a larger market and as an outlet for her seething surplus labor.

Germany has an increasing army of a million unemployed—for lack of a market for the goods she is prepared to produce.

The United States has two million ruined farmers, ruined for lack of a market, and even urging that irrigation development be discontinued to prevent still further glutting of the market. Fuel production is vastly in excess, even though 158,000 miners are on strike; in manufactures more than a million are unemployed—for lack of a market, yet the factories could easily be increased, and would be increased if there were available markets. Billions of dollars of American capital is going abroad for investment for lack of markets to keep new American factories going.

In Blind Desperation

But remember: there is no unemployment problem when there is ample market.

In blind desperation big business is struggling to develop Eastern and Southern Asia, seeking desperately to "produce business and get business." A hundred million dollars' worth of modern British cotton machinery is

today operated in India by labor cost less than 25 cents a day.

But note that under the wage system:

1. Even the BEST paid workers in the world can not buy sufficient of their product to prevent over-production and unemployment. It follows therefore that—

2. The WORST paid workers of the world, producing with modern machinery, will be still less able to buy sufficient of their product to prevent disastrous over-production and consequent unemployment.

As the Yellow-and-Brown Great Proletariat of a total population of 900,000,000 people is more and more equipped with modern tools, modern machinery and modern science, the streets of European and American cities will swarm more and more with armies of the unemployed; and a bitter contest among the competing national groups of the capitalist class will threaten the world with war. The great capitalist nations will not disarm—no more than tigers will voluntarily surrender their deadly tusks and their knife-like claws—chiefly for five reasons.

Militarism

Militarism: 1—Provides "play" for millions of otherwise unemployed men; 2—Provides equipment for the coming struggle for markets and "spheres of influence" in cheap-labor countries; 3—Makes tens of millions of wage slaves patriotically proud of the glittering chains that bind them; 4—Provides the rifle and gun to shoot the shame-faced unemployed who protest "improperly"; and 5—Develops a despotic spirit destructive of democracy and disastrous to freedom of discussion; and thus militarism furnishes temporary support to an industrial system in which success increasingly spells disaster, in which millions are hungry because they produce too much to eat and shiver because they can produce too much to wear.

Only Answer

The sane solution to this world problem of "sufficient market" is:

1.—ADMIT AND INSIST that private OWNERSHIP of the means of industry is neither a mental nor a physical ACTIVITY, and can not, therefore, be a PRODUCTIVE FUNCTION in industry, but is merely a PARASITIC RELATION to industry.

2.—Change the purpose of industry from profits for part of the people to life, life with abundance, for all the people—all who are willing to work.

3.—Let the workers not only produce abundantly but consume abundantly, their incomes undiminished by RENT, INTEREST AND PROFITS.

4.—As machinery, science and invention make it possible to do so, increase the income, reduce the work day to 7, 8, 9, or 4 hours per day and let all who are willing to work take up the REAL BUSINESS OF LIFE—WHICH IS LIVING—NOT SLAVING.

Science and machinery first develop Capitalism and then destroy Capitalism.

Seattle's Power Plant

What San Francisco may hope for from its own distribution of power is indicated by the experience of Seattle.

The report of the Seattle Power Plant for 1924 celebrated the twentieth birthday of the city's system. The city owns a \$20,000,000 system and is retiring out of profits the bonds as they come due. The municipal plant has 52,000 customers while the private corporation has approximately 25,000 customers.

At the very beginning the city fixed rates which forced the private company to cut its residence rates to less than half. Ever since the city has been a leader in cutting rates. Says the report:

"Effective June 1, 1923, the present residence rates are: 5½ cents for the first 40 kilowatt hours, 2 cents for the next 200 kilowatt hours, 1 cent for all over 240 kilowatt hours."

It is to be noted that every reduction in rates has been made by the Municipal Plant and followed by its competitor.

The average residence rate in all cities of the United States of 200,000 population or more is 8½ cents as compared to the average in Seattle for 1923 of 4.5 cents. The Municipal Plant has had a similar effect in reducing power and business rates."

Keep this information handy for use the next time a man tells you the city can't successfully run a public business.—Wyoming Labor Journal.

The right wing of the British Parliamentary Labor Party, the name for the powerful group of Labor representatives in the British parliament, swung back into control as a result of the annual election of the executive committee of this group.

This reverses the election of a year ago when the left wing elected the majority. This is interpreted as a strong endorsement of Ramsay MacDonald and his policies.

The new executive in order of election is: Philip Snowden, William R. Graham, J. H. Thomas, F. Lees-Smith, Ben Smith, Robert Smillie, C. P. Trevelyan, Tom Shaw, Stephen Walsh, Sidney Webb, G. Lansbury, William Adamson, Hugh Dalton.

"Who gave you that black eye?" "Nobody gave it to me. I had to fight for it."

IGLESIA PASSES IN GLORY

More than 100,000 persons attended the funeral of Comrade Pablo Iglesias, the great Spanish Socialist leader, recently. This, under the Fascist dictatorship, was a remarkable tribute to the man who more than any other person deserves to be called the father of Socialism in Spain. The Iron Heel may descend temporarily upon the workers and check their movements, but it cannot change their hearts, or suppress the ideals that burn in their souls, which will flame up again at the first opportunity, to victory.

And still another bill for the seizure of the anthracite mines! This time from Royal S. Copeland, Democratic politician from New York. Well, it just shows how they have to think when they get in a hole, and what they will do if they get in a tight enough pinch.

"Who gave you that black eye?" "Nobody gave it to me. I had to fight for it."

"Oh, you Gungas! When will you quit voting the Republican and Democratic tickets and vote for yourselves?"

MINNESOTA JOBLESS HIT IN HYSTERIA Campaign

By A. I. Harris

Minneapolis has a district known as Bridge Square, where most of the migratory workers congregate. In the older and more picturesque, one could find here the big-tailed, awkward, perpetually drunken lumberjack of the Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan woods. The typical migratory worker has changed, but the blessings of prohibition have not as yet descended on this section.

When certain members of the police department want to make a show of going into this district and picking a score or two of these fellows without funds.

Thirty-three of these "bangers" were brought before one of the judges of the municipal court. The judge, who was there "to serve justice" as he proceeded to do it in most approved hysteria fashion.

"Every vagrant is a potential highwayman and I am going to give you the limit," he muttered, saying something about whipping post and corporal capital punishment. And he did. He sent them all to the workhouse for ninety days. Ninety days in the workhouse for being broke and without a job! Society will be lulled into a false sense of security if the "lesson" does not make more than one bandit of these lawless mephistophelian creatures. Another judge with a somewhat superior conscience but still swayed by the public hysteria and the clamor of the newspapers sent those brought before him to the workhouse for thirty days.

Thus the groundwork for a better storing capital punishment is being laid in Minnesota. "Treat 'em rough." They see only one cause for crime in this God-given land of ours and that is the soft sentimentality of a portion of our society for the criminal. Economic conditions? The moral and ethics of the economic world? The fact that men make fortunes without useful labor but by mere scheming? The fact that the man of wealth is not ideal of success, no matter how much wealth was acquired? The meager rewards of honest toil? You can't find any such rash questions in the newspapers of Minneapolis and St. Paul and the sermons from the Christian pulpits.

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There should be no surprise over the fact that Senator Capper, the "progressive" and savior of the farmers, happens to be one of the chief sponsors of the vicious Capper-Johnson military bill, which would use the first war as an opportunity to put the United States under a dictator and enslave labor. When capitalism wants to mislead the people it invariably chooses a "progressive" or a "reformer" and "man of the people" as its tool.

Amalgamation of unions into bigger units to fight the bigger units of bosses is making unusual strides in Australia and Great Britain. At a conference in Melbourne it was decided to form a big union of all the unions in transport work in Australia. It will have 100,000 members. In Great Britain the latest is the decision of Amalgamated Association of Pressmen to unite with the printing machine branch of the National Union of Printing, Bookbinding, Machine Ruling & Paper Workers, which has a membership of 70,000.

In Europe where the capitalist system is plainly bearing its death throes, the control of financial capital, the key to power under capitalism, is slowly passing into the hands of the people. The European co-operative movement now has 43 large workers' and farmers' banks, situated in 27 different countries, besides some 40,000 little people's banks, or credit unions.

In the Scandinavian countries where real disarmament and peace is being established, the warring reactionaries are throwing seven kinds of pro-war. They are trying to scare the people with tales of how other nations are arming. Capitalism cannot exist without the war psychology and militarism, and this is the dying kick of capitalism in these three brave and progressive Scandinavian countries.

The extent of the international trade activities between co-operatives is not generally realized. The British Co-operative Wholesale Society, for instance, trade directly by means of its own ships with other co-operative societies in thirteen other countries. These collective activities of the rising industrial democracy have begun to cover the high seas with commerce and link themselves together in a truly international system. The British Wholesale co-op is now handling one-seventh of all the sugar, one-third of all the wheat coming into the United Kingdom.

A splendid service is being rendered by the League for Industrial Democracy, an organization engaged in teaching Socialism among college students. In its latest plan to bring college students in contact with the actual life and problems of the workers. Hundreds of college students will don overalls, swing picks and live in working house boarding houses this coming year for this purpose under the direction of the League for Industrial Democracy. When more of this kind of work is done among college students there will be less strike-breaking by recruits from our institutions of higher learning and more recruits for industrial democracy.

The Canadian Co-operative Wheat Producers, said to be the largest farmers' co-op in North America, kept up the world price of wheat to such an extent in 1925 that even United States farmers were benefited \$4,000,000 to \$75,000,000, declares Theodore E. Hammond of the United States Department of Commerce. The trick was turned by releasing the wheat slowly instead of letting the private monopoly hoard gobble it all up at once, which is a fine example of the power of organized action by the producers.

Yes, the System Prospers. The 1925 net earnings of the Federal reserve banks were \$9,120,000, com-

pared with \$1,200,000 in 1914.

When ten million hungry and angry surplus workers begin to think, a thinking slave is a dangerous slave.

IN 1914
The "burning question of the hour" in 1914 was the unemployed problem. The masters had to sell more goods or let the system sink, placed under examination by ten million unemployed workers—and their friends.

Lo, the little children hungering midst the plenty of the Earth!
Lo, the mothers agonizing that they ever gave them birth!
And the slaughter of the innocent, the murder of the just,
And the fouling of the love life by the Lords of Greed and Lust,
By the Lords of Greed and Lust, by the Lords of Greed and Lust,
And the fouling of the love-life by the Lords of Greed and Lust!

Onward! Onward! Onward!
Till the Tollers all are free!
Forward! Forward! Forward!
In a mighty jubilee!

We, the miracle performers, working wonders with our toil,
We are strangers in our countries, we are aliens on their soil;
We are hoboes, tramps and hayseeds, and we live and die a slave,
Tho' the treasuries are bursting with the wealth our labor gave,
With the wealth our labor gave, with the wealth our labor gave,
Tho' the treasuries are bursting with the wealth our labor gave!

Let us rise and march, my Comrades, to the song that Freedom sings!
Let us sing the chains that bind us in the ashes of our Kings!
Till the whole World shakes and trembles to our war, flaming red,
To the thunder of our tread, to the thunder of our tread,
Till the whole World shakes and trembles to the thunder of our tread,
Onward! Onward! Onward!
Till the Tollers all are free!
Forward! Forward! Forward!
In a mighty jubilee!

"Onward, Christian Soldiers."
It is reported that recently French armies paraded through the streets of Damascus with corpses of natives exposed on camel backs, and later laid them out for public inspection.

Yes, the System Prospers. The 1925 net earnings of the Federal reserve banks were \$9,120,000, com-