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"The Cause Combated For Is Yours, The Efforts To Win It Ought Therefore To Be Yours."

Masters See Defeat Ahead For Their Candidates

OWNING CLASS ON THE RUN! PROBABILITY OF SOCIALIST VICTORY ACKNOWLEDGED

Capitalist-Minded Candidates to Be Reduced From Twenty to Four!

"Citizens' League" Formed to Oppose Working-Class Administration of City's Affairs.

[The "news" below is quoted verbatim from the Morning Tribune, in order that our readers may see for themselves that the capitalist class of Everett is fully aware of the fact that the Socialist candidates, Frans Bostrom (for commissioner of finance), and J. M. Salter (for commissioner of public works), are due to win not only in the primary election, July 28th, but in the final show-down two weeks later. The people of Everett are more than weary of corporation-control of the city, and they realize that the only way that they can be sure of electing commissioners who will be beyond the influence of "big business" and the graft of the contract system on public works, is to elect Socialist statesmen to office. No workingman with a grain of intelligence will vote for tools of the master class when he can vote for representatives—agents—of his own class, the workers. And the capitalists know this, as witness the following extract.—The Editor.]

Citizens' League Has Plan to Eliminate Sixteen of the Candidates.

WOULD HAVE MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MEN

Conference Would by Elimination Chose Two Men to Beat Socialists.

And now after a long period of watchful waiting, during which 22 candidates filed for the office of commissioners of public works and finance, a plan has been adopted to put an end to the threatened political warfare. This is to be in the shape of a mediation conference of far greater importance, locally, than the one recently held at Niagara Falls.

The purpose is to determine who shall constitute the governing body of Everett; the mediators will consist of delegates chosen by the candidates now in the field, with the exception of those whom the sponsors of the conference refuse to recognize; and the slogan will be "Thompson and Christenson must go."

To Hold Conference This conclusion was reached last night at a meeting of the Everett Citizens' league in the Clark building.

According to the plans, 18 of the 22 candidates will each select two delegates to the conference and these delegates will be empowered to eliminate all candidates but two, one for commissioner of finance and one for commissioner of public works. The way in which this will be done, declare those behind the move, will be for the delegates to get together and cast ballots until all but two of the candidates receive a majority, when the rest will be declared eliminated.

Four Are Excluded.

Of the four candidates who will not be allowed to take part in the conference, Thompson and Christenson are barred because they are usurpers, according to the Citizens' league, in that they have been recalled and no longer have a right to the throne.

The other two candidates are the avowed nominees of the socialist party, J. M. Salter and Frans Bostrom, these men the mediators consider as mere revolutionists not to be considered under any circumstances.

Embargo Is Special.

The other 18, the constitutionists as it were, are openly favored by the Citizens' league and the mediators will be allowed to consider no others but them, and during the progress of the mediation meet they will be allowed to receive such political mutilations as they see fit.

The plan of the Citizens' league was adopted unanimously last night and also endorsed by two candidates present. It is stated also that several other candidates have been ap-

RAILWAYS PUT ONE OVER ON WORKERS

MAIL PAY BILL CONTAINS JOKER CLAUSE

Our Washington Letter

Washington, D. C., June 29, 1914. A joker in the railway mail pay bill which would result in bringing the federal troops to break every railway strike has just been discovered. This bill is pending before both the house and senate and may pass at this session. The two bills differ in the amount of graft that they hand over to the carriers, but they agree in the grand principle that working-men must not be allowed to strike.

Here is the joker as it appears in the Moon bill, reported to the house a few days ago:

The postmaster general shall in all cases decide upon what trains and in what manner the mails shall be conveyed. Every railroad company carrying the mails shall carry on any train it operates and with due speed all mailable matter, equipment, and supplies directed to be carried thereon. If such railroad company shall fail or refuse to transport the mails, equipment, and supplies when required by the postmaster general, on any train or trains it operates, such company shall be fined such reasonable amount as may, in the discretion of the postmaster general, be deemed proper.

By enacting a federal statute that "any train" shall carry mail if so ordered by the postmaster general, the power is invested in that official to put a mail bag on any and every train operated by a railroad company under contract to carry the mails. This means that if the Washington government so desired it could put mail on every trolley car. In times of a threatened or actual strike on a railroad or on a street car system, which would undoubtedly come under the definition of a "railway company" the federal government could hurry its troops to the scene of action with the usual disastrous effects.

WHERE WE COME IN

In France there are 346 savings depositors to each thousand of population, while in "poverty-stricken" Italy there are 320 depositors in banks for each thousand of the population. In "fabulously wealthy" United States there are only 99 savings depositors per thousand.

proached and have agreed to take part in the mediation proceedings. A committee consisting of S. K. Painter, C. A. Radke and J. C. Taylor was named to interview the 18 candidates and have them each appoint their two delegates immediately. The committee will give its first report at a meeting to be held in the Clark building next Monday evening.

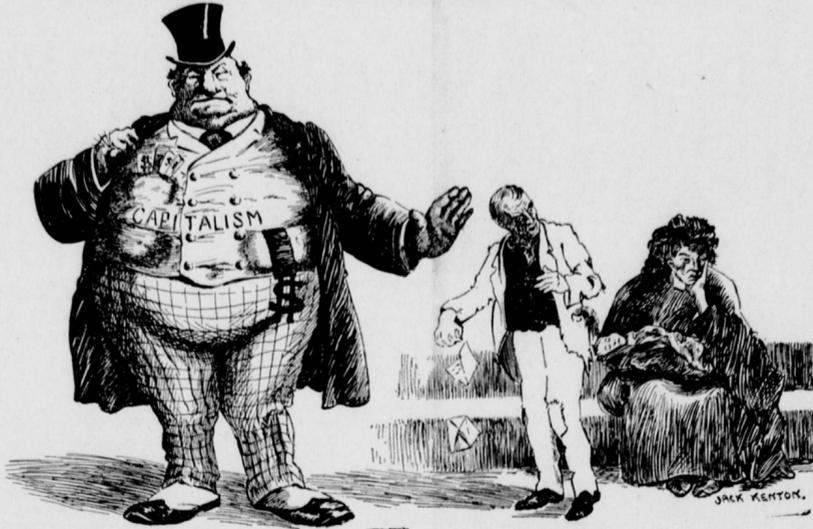
Just how the non-recognized candidates will take the proceedings is not known, but it was stated last night that they would refuse to salute the flag of the Citizens' league and would probably enter into negotiations with each other to block the plans of the mediators.

The league maintains that mediation is the only solution of the problem now confronting the city and hopes to see it work out successfully, but if on the other hand it fails, it means that the city will be plunged into a political warfare that will not end until the citizens arm themselves with ballots and meet in a decisive battle at the polls on July 28, and in this way select the candidates for the final election to be held ten days later.

THE CLASS STRUGGLE

In their frantic efforts to keep the representatives of the working class of Everett "in their places," as wage slaves of the owning-class, we see an evidence of the world-wide class struggle, upon which the Socialist movement is founded. "Mere revolutionists are not to be considered under any circumstances," this is their way of saying that capitalist class rule must continue, even in municipal government.

Capitalism! What It Brings The Workers



See yonder poor, o'erlabored wight
So abject, mean and vile,
Who begs a brother of the earth
To give him leave to toil.

And see his lordly fellow-worm
The poor petition spurn,
Unmindful tho' a weeping wife
And helpless offspring mourn.

—Burns.

The Declaration of Independence Brought Down To Date.

MODERNIZED BY MAYNARD SHIPLEY

ADOPTED BY THE SOCIALISTS OF EVERETT IN MASS MEETING ASSEMBLED, SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 1914.

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one class to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth the separate and superior function to which the laws of economic development entitle them, a decent respect for the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all men are created with divergent capacities; that they are all endowed by nature with certain needs; that among these are life, liberty, and the attainment of happiness; that to secure these fundamental desires, governments may rightly be instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends it is the duty of the majority concerned to alter or abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their common safety and happiness. Prudence indeed, will dictate that governments long established shall not be allowed to outlive their usefulness, though all experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, the exploitation of the workers, evinces a design to crush them under an absolute industrial despotism, it is their duty, to overthrow such government, and to provide new guards for their future security. Such has been the patient suffering of the American wage-slaves; but now necessity constrains them to alter or abolish the bourgeois system of government and exploitation. The history of the present ruling class is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having for direct object the establishment of an absolute tyranny over those who produce the wealth of the world. To prove this, let facts be submitted to a candid world.

The owning class has refused its assent to laws the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

The masters have forbidden their governors and legislators to pass laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in the operation till their supreme court shall have declared them unconstitutional; and when not legally suspended or abrogated they have been complacently ignored by those in authority, who have utterly neglected to attend to them.

They have refused to allow to be passed other laws for the accommodation of large numbers of workers, unless such laws still left the trading class in full ownership of the means whereby the working-class must live—a concession of no benefit to them and of use to grafters only.

The masters have called together their legislative bodies at convenient places, entirely comfortable, and not too distant from Wall Street, the real seat of government, for the sole purpose of enacting laws in support of their own economic needs, regardless of the welfare of the workers.

They have declared laws unconstitutional repeatedly which opposed firmly invasions on the rights of the working class.

They have refused for a long time after their annulment to allow others to be enacted; thus the legislative powers, held in their own hands, have not been returned to the people at large for their exercise; the country remaining in the meantime, exposed to all sorts of grafting from without, and to frequent panicky convulsions from within.

They have endeavored to prevent the further development of these states; for that purpose making laws granting the lands to non-resident exploiters, refusing to pass others to encourage actual settlement of the same, and raising conditions preventing the establishing of homes thereon.

They have obstructed the administration of justice, by causing creatures of the corporations to be elected or appointed to judicial seats in courts of law.

They have made judges dependent on their will alone for the tenure of their offices and the amount and payment of their salaries.

They have erected a multitude of new offices, and sent thither swarms of new officers, to harass the wage-slaves and eat out their substance.

They have kept among us, in times of peace, without the consent of the people, standing armies and state militia to assist their fellow exploiters in grinding the faces of the useful workers.

They have succeeded in rendering the military independent of and superior to the civil power.

They have combined with others to subject the workers to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution and unacknowledged even by their own class-made laws; giving assent to acts of anarchy and violence in the interests of members of their own class;—

By quartering their troops of armed strik-breakers among us during times of industrial disputes;

By protecting their hired assassins, under cloak of courts martial, from punishment for any murders which they should commit on the inhabitants of these states;

By depriving us of jobs by means of the lockout and blacklist; (Continued on Page Four.)

"My Country 'Tis of Thee" Land of the Few Nifty

BRILLIANT ACTRESS WHO FIRST INTERPRETED "BLANCHE DEACON"

IN "CALL OF CONSCIENCE" NOW IN WILLIAMS STOCK CO.

Miss Zana Vaughn and Rex Snelgrove Are Also Appearing At People's Theatre.

By a rather strange coincidence, the two actresses who first interpreted "Blanche Deacon" in Shipley's three-act drama, "The Call of Conscience," are now playing in Everett.

Miss Ursula Faucitt, who appears this week as Angie Tucker in "Hunting a Fortune," at the People's Theatre, had in charge the original production of Shipley's play when it was produced in Oakland, in 1912. Miss Faucitt not only interpreted "Blanche Deacon" in the first and third acts, but played also "Mable" in the second act, besides acting as stage manager.

Miss Faucitt had not only the responsibility of staging the play as a brand new production, but rendered valuable assistance to Shipley by her suggestions regarding the text of "The Call of Conscience." Miss Faucitt being herself the author of several very successful sketches and plays.

After lying fallow for two years, "The Call of Conscience" was revised, and presented in Everett by the Griffith Stock Co., at the People's Theatre, with Miss Zana Vaughn as "Blanche Deacon," and Mr. Rex Snelgrove as "Jack Armstrong." Their splendid interpretation of these difficult roles is too fresh in the memory of our readers to need further comment.

Miss Faucitt made her initial appearance in Oakland as a headliner on the Orpheum circuit, interpreting scenes from Shakespeare's plays, including Hamlet. This was the first attempt in America to introduce the bard of Avon in vaudeville, and Miss Faucitt's success in compelling the sustained interest of a vaudeville audience with scenes from Hamlet, Macbeth, Romeo and Juliet, As You Like It, etc., attests the superior talents of this distinguished English actress.

We wish to congratulate the manager of the Williams Stock Co. on his rare good fortune in securing the talent of such a capable and versatile company as is presented in the cast of "Hunting a Fortune," which will be the bill at the People's Theatre for the rest of this week.

NOT SO MANY RICH IN THIS COUNTRY

Income Tax in Trouble.

The secretary of the treasury insists that the new income tax has teeth in it, and he has an army of assistants who propose to close the jaws of the law upon the income tax dodgers throughout the country. Somebody has been miscalculating very badly, or there are more poor people in the United States than has been generally supposed, as the income tax will fall by \$21,000,000 of providing the revenue expected of it by the framers of the new tariff law. The treasury department "experts" estimated that the taxes on individual returns would be \$24,000,000 more than has been produced. The government "dragnet" has therefore thus far got little more than half what it had expected. The democrats, while patting themselves on the back because of their magnificent legislative achievements of the past year, are worrying themselves sick because of the lack of necessary revenue.

A WORLD-WIDE MOVEMENT.

There were 538 Socialists in the legislatures of the twenty leading nations of the world in 1911. There are now 728 in a total of 5,223, thus forming 13.19 per cent of the deputies in the national parliaments. In 1904 there were but 265 Socialist legislators in the world, or 5.64 per cent of the total.

In 1904 the total Socialist vote of the world was 6,183,225. The International Bureau's records for 1914 show a total of 10,739,970 votes cast for Socialism. The world do move!

STARTLING FIGURES SHOW CONCENTRATION IN LAND OWNERSHIP

Startling figures drawn from government archives showing the alarming increase in concentration of land ownership in the United States have been compiled for the first time, and are herewith presented to the public through the Socialist press service. These statistics prove that the United States is in as great need for "land reform," recommended for Mexico by President Wilson, as is Mexico herself.

Here is a partial list of the principal gigantic land holdings in the United States. It should be pointed out that most of these land grants were "concessions" obtained either through sheer graft or through official favoritism, so that in this respect the United States has nothing on Diaz or Huerta.

In seven states 1,802 holders own 89,652,000 acres.

The Southern Pacific railroad owns 13,379,931 acres.

The Union Pacific railroad owns 972,127 acres, equivalent to the land areas of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey and Delaware.

The Weyerhaeusers own 1,525,000 acres in two states.

One hundred and eighty-two men own 16,990,000 acres in Florida, or about half the state.

Three men own 4,200,000 acres of Florida.

The Michigan Iron & Land Co. owns 320,000 acres.

The Chicago & Northern railroad owns 370,000 acres.

Three corporations in Oregon own, respectively, 175,000, 800,000 and 36,000 acres.

Ten men in Louisiana own 440,000 acres.

One man owns 125,000 in California, received as "paper concessions."

The Miller and Lux estate in California has 14,500,000 acres.

It is pointed out here that the famous 1,000,000-acre ranch owned by William Randolph Hearst in Mexico is pitifully small in comparison to the American land-holdings of some of Hearst's brother feudalists. These American land-holdings, moreover, are far more extensive than those of the Maderos; and John Hays Hammond, the professional land-grabber and natural resource-exploiter, owns a much smaller fraction of the province of Sonora than his countrymen possess of it, say, the state of California.

In his famous interview in the "Saturday Evening Post," President Wilson is on record as desiring "a suitable question so that as he put it, 'the day will come when the Mexican people will be put in full possession of the land, the liberty and the peaceful prosperity that are rightfully theirs.'"

Wilson said in that interview that the Mexican situation had been particularly hard to handle "because so many elements of it have been without our control and our territory." "In a domestic matter," Wilson went on to explain, "we can see our way clear, because ordinarily all the elements are within our view and consideration."

The land question in the United States is a domestic matter, and all the elements are within our control and observation. The various bureaus in Washington can furnish the president all the facts he needs about land concentration and ownership, and the wise heads who are preparing a scheme of land reform for Mexico are equally able to prepare one for the United States.

What is Wilson going to do about it? Nothing!

GOLD IS "RISING IN VALUE"

Now that the production of gold is diminishing in quantity, relative to population, the cost of living begins to show a tendency to go downward. When gold is cheap, food is dear, and vice versa. But with the lowering of the cost of living, will come a decrease in the average wage. So what's the use?

Probably it is a new presidential race that T. R. has discovered.—

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

LOCAL PLEASANT MAKES GOOD PROGRESS

Washington Socialist, Comrades:
 Pleasant Local, or Local Pleasant, was organized February last with 12 members. Now has 20 members, and more in sight. Even the bug-eyed diggers of the soil are coming in, as their taxes are running them crazy (?! see? Here's five of them that will take three months' done of the Socialist; by that time they may quit digging for their masters long enough to subscribe for a year. As the Digger Dubs are beginning to think, and even prophesy that they cannot get any relief from the G. O. P. officials, even if we have that direct legislation, so much so that the pie eaters of Goldendale have begun to quake and tremble—lest there be more locals born.

Yours for the fight for the new order of things even to jerking the tie out of the \$.

SAM T. SHELL,
 Sec. Local Pleasant.

SKAGIT COUNTY NOTES

At a recent referendum just closed the following candidates were nominated for the different offices for the fall election:

State Representative—W. E. Ebbe, Mt. Vernon.
 State Representative—J. G. C. Auburg, Mt. Vernon.
 State Representative—Thomas Lamkin, Lyman.
 State Representative—J. K. Snyder, Anacortes.
 County Commissioner, 1st dist.—Chas. Millward, Bayview.
 County Commissioner, 2d dist.—Frank Dyer, Lyman.
 Sheriff—F. H. Hickox, Mt. Vernon.
 Assessor—E. B. Hickox, Mt. Vernon.
 Coroner—John McComes, Anacortes.
 Auditor—Mrs. E. Sager, Anacortes.
 Treasurer—Mrs. L. Young, Burlington.
 Clerk—Arthur H. Hansen, Mt. Vernon.

There being no county organization in the county, the following county campaign committee of one member from each local was chosen to carry on the fall campaign:

Anacortes Local, Christ Johnson.
 Bayview Local, Frank Millward.
 Burlington Local, Mrs. L. Young.
 Sedro-Woolley Local, Comrade Howell.
 Mt. Vernon Local, Arthur H. Hansen.
 Lyman Local, Mrs. Eliza Lamkin.

At the campaign committee meeting Sunday it was decided to raise at least \$200 to pay the filing fees of all of the candidates and also to have some for propaganda work. We are badly in need of funds and any of the readers of the Washington Socialist, especially in Skagit county, who have not been asked to contribute and feel they can, would do good by sending what they can to Mrs. Eliza Lamkin, Box 285, Lyman, Wash., who is secretary of the county campaign committee.

Local Mt. Vernon has placed an application with the National Rip-Saw for a Debs lecture, which is to be held some time during the coming fall. The whole of Skagit county is helping to make this lecture of Debs' a success.

Local Mt. Vernon has also ordered and has on hand 100 copies of "War What For?" that are being scattered throughout the county.

Colorado upholds the doctrine of state rights with a war of her own.—Wall Street Journal.

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 Representative, 49th dist., E. H. Coburn.
 Representative, 48th dist., R. J. Olinger.
 Representative, 48th dist., J. M. Salter.
 Commissioner, 1st dist., Ole Larsen.
 Commissioner, 3d dist., H. W. Illman.
 Superintendent of Schools, R. W. Thompson.
 Sheriff, H. F. Leister.
 Auditor, F. G. Crosby.
 Assessor, Hans Solie.
 Clerk, Frank Cort.
 Treasurer, Flora Bartlett.
 Attorney, Peter Husby.
 Coroner, Dr. W. S. Keyser.

These are the candidates nominated by the Socialists of Snohomish county. If they represent your class interests, and as working men and women they do, we ask you not to vote for them as good or bad individuals but as candidates representing the interests of the working class. Your class and mine.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY NEWS AND NOTES

Carl Ulonska, County Sec-Treas. This department, news—real, hot, crisp, organization news. If you have it send it to the county office, Socialist party, 1612 California street, Everett, Wash. If its more lengthy, then strengthen your mind the scissors, but see that YOUR local is alive and send in the news.

The county office has routed comrade John DeQuer, the actor-orator, for two months' organization work in the county. DeQuer commences work at Index July 11, covering every local in the county.

J. M. Salter and Carl Ulonska conducted a street meeting at Snohomish last Saturday night. A good crowd attended.

Organizer Bredzky, of local Mukilteo, reports that local Mukilteo now has about twenty-five members, a good number of them women. Some growth for a young local, eh! He also informs us that a member of the school board has taken out a red card.

Our yet-to-be-representative J. M. Salter is now covering the county collecting the filing fees for the county ticket. Let the locals and comrades aid him in this work. Salter says the organization throughout the county is taking on new life and action.

See that your local is in good standing each month. How? By reporting to the county secretary your paid-up membership, dues stamps sold, meetings held and other propaganda work.

A Literature and Local News Department will soon be started in the county office.

Plans are under way for three county-wide literature distributions to carry Snohomish county for Socialism.

Organization spells solidarity. Solidarity means victory!



J. M. SALTER
 Our Next Commissioner of Public Works.

Comrade J. M. Salter, recently principal of the Silvana schools, twice editor of the Commonwealth, and for many years an active worker in the Socialist movement, was the party's choice for commissioner of public works. Comrade Salter is eminently fitted by both education and practical experience to fill this important office with credit alike to the city of Everett and the Socialist party. Backed by an enthusiastic and united organization such as we have in Everett, there is every reason to believe that Comrade Salter will be elected commissioner of public works.

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MOVING PICTURE CENSORSHIP ENDANGERS FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION.

Free Picture House as Important as Free Press.

The bill to establish a federal censorship over moving pictures is more dangerous than would be a bill establishing a censorship of the press.

Naturally the censorship—or plot—has been endorsed by many clergymen, educators, and even by some moving picture exhibitors.

Other exhibitors oppose it on the ground that film makers censor their product, and that federal censorship would interfere with the business.

They also argue that if the federal government undertakes to censor moving pictures it may extend the authority to printed matter.

Those who advocate federal censorship of moving pictures do so on the plea that these exhibitions are harmful or beneficial to the youthful mind according to their character.

While it cannot be denied that some pictures do harm, they nevertheless do far less mischief than would in all probability develop out of this first step toward suppression of what office holders might not happen to like.

POWER OF THE MOVIES.

The power of the press we have all felt and understood only too well.

But we are just beginning to realize the tremendous power for good or evil that lies in the "movies."

The capitalist class are taking advantage of the moving picture theatres to inculcate and perpetuate capitalist-class ideals and trading-class rule.

The working-class must likewise use the movies to inculcate proletarian ideals, to show up the many horrors and uglinesses of wage-slavery, with its attendant unemployment, economic servitude, poverty, crime, prostitution and disease.

WE SHOULD DO LIKEWISE

The labor educational center of the Socialist party has established a special branch to extend the use of the moving pictures as a means of educating the working class.

In Holland the Socialists have made successful use of moving pictures. At Berlin a central library of educational films has been formed, which has prepared more than 70,000 feet of films for use in the schools.

The Cinema Revue of Paris has published a list of the principal educational films which have appeared in 1912-13, and which includes the work of fifty-nine firms.

The news films contain much that is of value. The funeral of August Bebel, the German Socialist leader, has been shown to millions in the moving picture houses.

Some thirty Belgian co-operatives give moving picture exhibitions. These are now at the mercy of private film exchanges, which permit no choice of subjects.

To meet this situation the moving picture section of the educational center will purchase films and arrange programs suitable for working class organizations. Those programs will be varied with comic, dramatic and Socialist films interspersed.

Exchange arrangements will be made with educational film exchanges that already exist in France and Germany, and the films will then be rented to the various Belgian co-operatives.

16,000,000 SEE MOVIES EVERY DAY IN 18,000 THEATRES.

The immeasurable power of the "movies" for molding public opinion and creating prejudice pro or con can be better appreciated when it is known that not less than sixteen million persons daily attend the 18,000 moving picture theatres now in operation in the United States.

These facts, or what are represented to be facts, were brought out before the house committee on education. The committee has under consideration a bill to establish a federal censorship commission over moving pictures.

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J. F. MacKey. My Country, 'tis of thee, Land of Wage Slavery, Of thee I sing; Land where the workers toll For profit monger's spoil, Even little children moll Dividends to bring.

My bourgeois country thee, Land of plutocracy, Thy wealth I love, I love thy roaring mills, Thy mines and timbered hills; My heart with avarice fills Where'er I rove.

When brutal War's Alarms The jingoes call to arms War bonds I buy; And cans of tainted meat For Boys in Blue to eat, And shoddy outfits neat, These I supply.

When tollers dare engage In strikes for higher wage Or shorter day, Let Gatling Guns awake, Let Riot the silence break, Let Baldwin thugs partake In bloody fray.

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Declaration of Independence Brought Down To Date

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By imposing taxes on us through the means of wage slavery; By depriving us, in many cases, of the benefits of trial by jury; And by packing the jury when the workers are so tried;

By abolishing the right to peacefully assemble in our own or a neighboring state, establishing therein an arbitrary government, substituting post-mortems for habaeas corpus, tramping on the pretended constitutional rights of citizens, enlarging the scope of the state militia, so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same arbitrary power in other states;

By taking away our suffrage through capitalist election laws, abolishing our most valuable means of political expression and altering fundamentally the forms of civil government;

By suspending working-class laws and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

The masters have abdicated popular government here, by declaring the workers out of their protection, their policeman's club having grown bigger than the constitution;

They have plundered our cities, ravaged our homes, deprived us of the means of self-support, and destroyed the lives of our people;

The master-class is at this time creating large armies of mercenaries to complete the works of death, desolation and tyranny already begun in the days of Cleveland, with circumstances of cruelty and suffering scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally inexcusable in a civilized nation;

They have constrained our misguided fellow wage-slaves to join the army, militia and navy, to bear arms against members of their own class, to become the executioners of their friends and brethren in toil, or to fall, maphap, themselves by unwilling hands;

The masters have excited domestic insurrections amongst us, in the mad struggle for profits, and have endeavored to bring on the workers of our mills, mines and factories the merciless gunmen whose known rule of warfare is treachery, secret assassination, incitement to violence and undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these oppressions we have petitioned for redress in the most humble terms; our petitions have been answered only by repeated "investigations." A class whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a tyrant is unfit to rule over a people determined to be free.

Nor have we been wanting in patience toward our industrial masters. We have warned them, from time to time, of attempts made by their legislatures to extend an unwarranted jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our working and living here, in a country of potential wealth and abundance for all who labor.

We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common humanity to discontinue their usurpations, which would inevitably lead to working-class revolt and final supremacy of the proletariat, marking the end of all classes and of class rule.

But they have been deaf to the voice of justice and reason. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity which necessitates our separation into two distinct classes, the exploiters and the exploited, the wealth-takers and the wealth-makers, and hold the master class of this country, as of all other countries, our enemies in politics and industry—in nothing friends.

We, therefore, the representatives of the workers of all nations, in mass meeting assembled, appealing to the highest sense of justice for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the name and by the authority of the workers of the world, solemnly publish and declare that the useful wealth producers, now held in the bondage of wage-slavery, are of right, and must of necessity become, free and independent citizens of a new industrial world republic, in which economic equality, justice and fraternity may become a glorious reality, instead of a concatenation of empty words, a delusion and a snare to the exploited and economically enslaved workers; we further declare that the wage-earners of this and all other countries are morally absolved from all allegiance to the capitalist class, and that all pretense of community of interests between them is but a wicked and intolerable fiction, designed to hold the greater and better part of the human race in degrading bondage; and that the workers, as members of a common world brotherhood, should have full power to declare for freedom and international peace, for the common ownership of the earth and the joint control of the greater means of production and distribution; that the workers have full power to contract a world-wide alliance, to establish international transportation facilities, to establish methods for an equitable exchange of products, and to do all other acts and things which will further their mutual interests. And for the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the continued progress of the human race, we pledge to each other our lives, our votes and our cherished honor.

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