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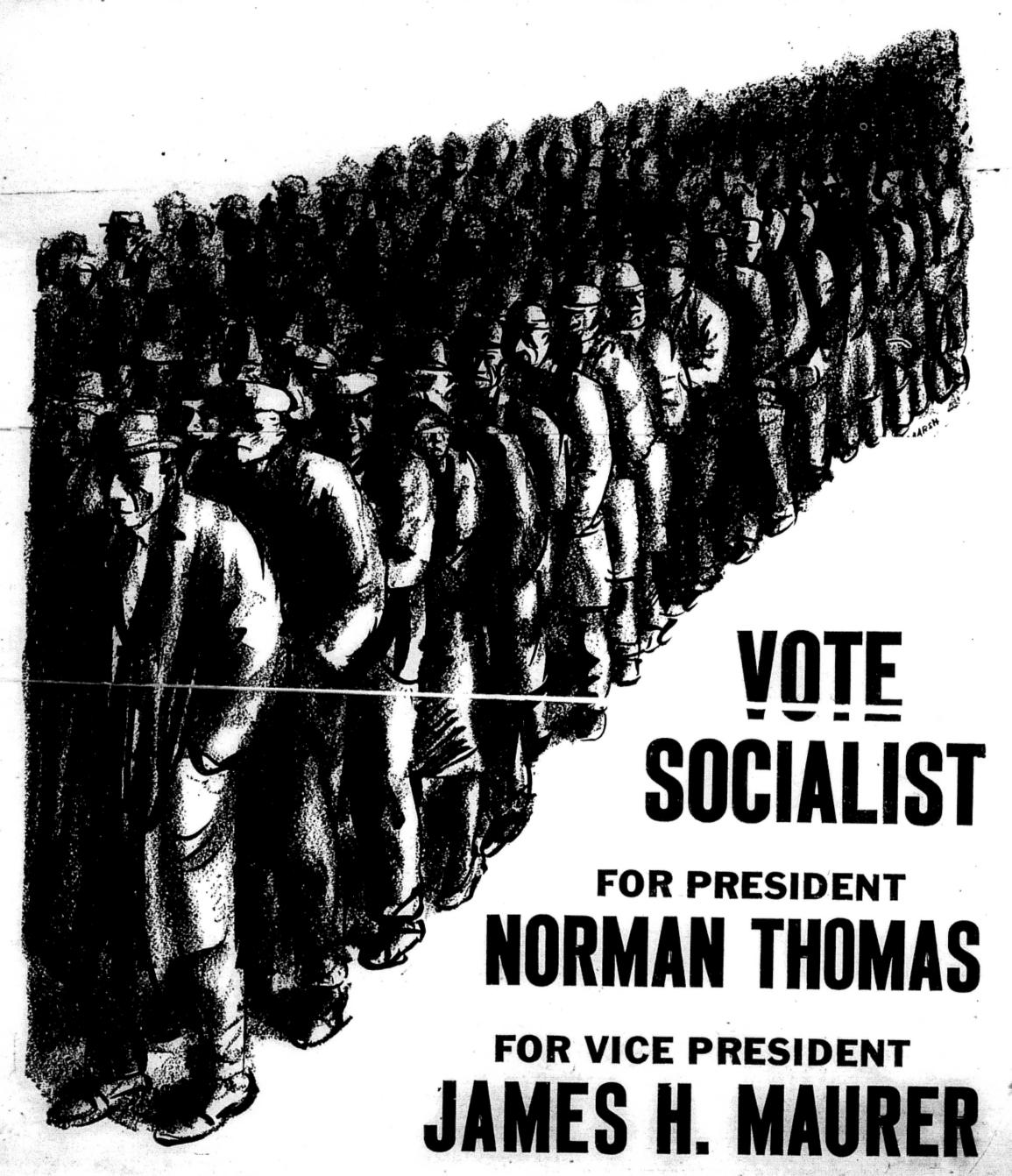
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REPEAL UNEMPLOYMENT!



DON'T THROW YOUR VOTE AWAY

By OSWALD GARRISON VILLARD

Editor of The Nation

(TOTE for Norman Thomas? What's the use? He can't be V elected. I admit he is a good man, better than either Hoover or Roosevelt, but he can not be elected. Why throw

Who has not heard this said to him a dozen, yes, 50 or 100, times of late? Never before have I encountered so many men, heretofore indifferent, who are now outraged by the nominations of both the old parties. Only yesterday a young man of great ability and promise told me he was organizing a large club to spend election day in Quebec. When I remarked one could vote for Norman Thomas, I got the same unthinking, tiresome reply: "Why throw your vote away?" "So not voting at all is better than casting a protest vote?" "Oh, but it doesn't get you anywhere and you might just as well not vote at all."

Never was there a greater fallacy.

It is the duty of a citizen to vote

But, waiving all that, I venture even if he has to write a name in to assert that the only way in the on the ballot-unless he wishes the coming election in which a man will whole electoral system to collapse NOT throw away his vote is by or unless he can make his abstencasting his ballot for Norman tion count as a more effective pro- Thomas

Votes for Hoover Are Votes for Reaction

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and pretends to know the way out

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up. . . . Lancaster, Pa., Socialists

issue weekly paper," "Plain Talk."
. . . Louis Waldman, N. Y. Socialist

candidate for governor, opens fight

to slash light and power rates.

. . . Socialist Legislator Darlington

Hoopes (Pa.) defeats proposed slash of \$300,000 from state labor depart-

ment. . . . Socialist national cam-

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Tune in on Thomas

It is throwing away your vote to selling tariff favors to the tariff cast it for Herbert Hoover, for barons and handing out special thereby you will help neither your- privileges whenever possible. self nor the country, but continue in A vote for Hoover will advance office a grossly incompetent execu- the country's welfare not one iota. tive, with the sole idea of keeping in It will bring happiness only to the power the predatory group of big favored few. It will produce not a business men whose willing tool this single reform, bring nearer no radiex-mine promoter has regularly cal change whatever, and will be

It is throwing away your vote that he is duly authorized by the whenever you cast it for a com- voter to accomplish nothing else pletely corrupt and rotten party than to bring back the profligate whose motto for 50 years has been stock jobbing, gambling era of "public office is public plunder"- 1929, without any change whatever. for those who get it-whose only If that would not be throwing excuse or existence has been its away one's vote, what could be?

And as for voting the Democratic purpose to give the country back ticket, that means casting a ballot to the plain people, to whom it befor a kindly good-natured gentleman longed? To vote today for the revival of the Woodrow Wilson platwho means well and who has not form is again to throw one's vote the faintest idea that the situation away, to get nobody anywhere. has become so grave in this coun- Why vote for a party that doesn't try that nothing but fundamental differ one hair's breadth in principle, and radical reforms are going to re- practice, or policy, or common store the control of this country to garden morality from the Repub-

the people to whom it belongs. True, he has made some good congruously composed that there speeches; he excoriated well Presi- can never possibly be unanimity of dent Hoover in his address at Co- opinion, or unison of action, or any lumbus on Aug. 20. But at best vision whatever? Vote for the Franklin Roosevelt has nothing Democracy and you vote for crooked more to offer than the new freedom machines in the Democratic cities program of Woodrow Wilson. How of the north, for the Negro-far did we get with that? Was baiting south, for the great masses it not Woodrow Wilson who de- who put their religion above the clared that the country was in the state. Throw your vote away—oh, hands of "its masters, the great in- yes, you will if you cast it for dustrialists" and that it was his Franklin Roosevelt.

Votes for Thomas Are Votes for Progress No, the only vote that will NOT thrown away will be the vote cast be thrown away in this coming elec- for Norman Thomas with its warn-

tion is a vote of protest, protest ing to political leadership of the against injustice, the exploitation of Democratic and Republican parties the masses, class rule and the turning over of the government to the of the social, economic and political

The only vote that will not be there is a day of reckoning coming.

Socialist Leaflets Sold by Million Before Printing

Bulletins to Socialist national campaign headquarters: Largest crowds in party history hearing Thomas and Maurer. . . . Morris Hillquit, Mayor Hoan, B. C. Vladeck, Powers Hapgood to make extended tours. . . . Thirty-six new party locals reported in two weeks. . New leaflet series, issued Sept. 1. starts with advance orders for over million copies. . . . Labor, Farmers, Women's Committees and Independent Committee of 5,000 boosting campaign. . . . Connecticut to take Thomas through state in "Red Special" Sept. 15. Wisconsin Socialists to broadcast weekly over WHA, Stevens Point, and WLWL, Madison. . . . Dr. R. B. Green completing great western tour. . . . Delaware Socialist dele-

gation pleads for unemployed at

legislative hearing. . . N. Y. So-cialists take Madison Square Gar-den and Bronx Coliseum for high-

peints of whirlwind campaign wind-

ROOSEVELT AIDS FOUGHT TO KEEP SEVEN DAY WEEK

Gov. Roosevelt has come out for a shorter work week-but, his record in New York shows that he not only tolerates a seven-day work week there but permitted his heads of state departments to put up a fight for continuation of this inhumanly long work week.

While thinking men and women urge the five-day week as part of the solution for the unemployment problem, Roosevelt has done less than nothing to abolish this sevenday week among New York transit employes, hotel, cafeteria and elevator workers. His department heads made successful pleas for continuance of the seven-day week on the ground of "economy.

The records of the N. Y. transit commission reveal that there are 25,000 subway guards, platform men, street car conductors, motormen and bus drivers in New York City alone who work 10 hours a day or more seven days a week.

Could Extend State Law There are 25,000 hotel workers in New York City who never get a day off. Nobody knows how many cafeteria workers and elevator operators are in the same predicament, but it must be a considerable number, to judge from innumerable letters received by the city affairs committee of New York when it launched

PAID CIRCULATION OF AMERICA FOR ALL

August 27th 55,696 September 3d.....57,361 Gain last week, 1,165.

a campaign to abolish the seven

day week for transit workers. The same conditions exist on the prisons work 10 and 12 hours a day seven days a week. Watchmen, lock tenders and bridge workers in the state department of public works are also denied one day of rest in

The present labor law of New York state requires one day of rest in seven for factory and mercantile employes. This law has been tried and tested in the courts and has been held constitutional in the interests of public health. It would be a simple matter to amend that section of the labor law so as to give all workers in New York this pro-

Roosevelt Made no Fight Such an amendment was introduced at the 1932 session of the legislature. The bill was never reported out of committee or given a public hearing. Communications were ent or the governor, acquainting him with the facts and requesting his support. In one personal reply he stated that he was "sympathetic to any movement to abolish the seven-day week," but he did not make any public fight to compel action from the legislature. In his gubernatorial messages to the legislature, he never mentioned the sub-

We are living in a day when the productivity of modern machine in dustry requires a six-hour day, fiveday week for all workers. Without this readjustment unemployment must become a permanent phenomenon. How can we expect Franklin Roosevelt, as president of the United States, to fight for a 30-hour week when in his own state he has opposed the battle for a six-day work week for all?

A REPEAL UNEMPLOYMENT Socialist poster ready made. After you have finished reading this issue of America For All cut out the first page and post it in your window. If all readers will do this we'll have more than 50,000 Thomas and Maurer posters up without a single penny

HOOVER DAM STRIKES HOME. America For All's exposure of the slavery of American workers at Hoover Dam has brought a defense by the Chicago Tribune which tells of a swimming pool, dormitories and, believe it or not, "air-cooled" rooms installed by the government. At that reporters chained to the journalistic prostitution of the Chicago Tribune would consider fresh air a luxury.

HOOVER CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS LATEST PROSPERITY NEWS

FACTORY IN NEW VERSEY, IDLE THREE YEARS WILL RESUME WORK IA POSSIBLE IN 1933. KANSAS CITY WORKMAN FOUND STARVING GIVEN A PART TIME JOB AS DISH WASHER. STREET SWEEPER IN ROCHESTER N.Y. SAYS BUSINESS IS PICKING UP .

VOTE FOR HOOVER DIDNT I TELL YOU IT WAS JUST AROUND THE GORNER for Young

Congratulations

-Drawn by Art Young.

The Big Parade-42 Days Long

"COME folks won't work."

"If a man is out of work it is his own fault." It's a long time since we have heard these stupid

With each additional day the jobless increase. Today between 10,000,000 and 12,000,000 have been thrown on the industrial scrap heap. Millions are working part time and

all of those employed have been the victims of wage cuts. Picture yourself standing on a street corner for the purpose of witnessing the start of a parade, a parade of the unemployed. As the first line of the paraders goes by, you depart from the corner.

> The paraders march by, 10,000 every hour, 240,000 every twenty-four hours.

At the end of forty-one days and nights you return to the corner just in time to see the tail end of the procession pass by in the sixteenth hour of the forty-second day since the beginning of the march.

WHAT IS BEING DONE TO RELIEVE THE WORK-ERS WHO HAVE BEEN PLUNGED INTO THE MOST TRAGIC SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY?

The Sops of "charity," such as breadlines, soup kitchens, block-aid, etc., prove the failure of those in power to meet a situation that daily grows worse.

In every city, town and village, black despair clutches the hearts of the jobless. This, in the world's richest country. A country in which there are enough mines, mills, factories and farms to provide every worker and his dependents with a comfortable living.

In the world's richest country-

Corn and wheat are used for fuel, Growing cotton is ploughed und Crops of fruit and vegetables are and textile mills are closed.

Nothing is being done by the political party of the ow ers of the nation's industries—the political party that has tw

labels "Democrat" and "Republican." Under both labels the interests of the millionaires and billionaires are protected. Both secure their funds from the big capitalists, hence, the capitalists secure what they want for themselves. They see to it that the laws are made for the wealth-takers and not for the wealth-makers.

Today the capitalists, and their hired politicians, have a contempt for the working class because you are worse off in many ways than was the chattel slave. The master ran after him: you run after the master. You are ragged, worried, hungry in the richest country in the world. And for that you vote the same political ticket as the millionaires and bil-

There is a political party in the field which at all times fight your battles. It is a political party controlled by working people. The program of this party includes:

Congress to vote immediate relief to

A five-day week. No child labor. Insurance for unemployed work-

Pensions for workers over 60 years of age.
Increased income a n d inheritance tax on the wealthy.

The ownership of the mills, mines, railroads, packing plants, power plants and all industries to be taken over by the people through their government and operated for the banefit of the useful workers of the

If you are against unemployment, starvation and misery for yourself, your family, and the working class you will vote the Socialist ticket. More than that, you will do everything possible to help roll up a tremendous vote in the coming election for the Socialist party.

You have the power to vote the "Big Parade" of more than ten million jobless workers out of existence. It is in your power to vote for jobs, bread and security, for all the workers of the nation.

VOTE FOR YOUR INTERESTS! Repeal Unemploy-VOTE THE STRAIGHT SOCIALIST PARTY TICKET!

LIBERALS HOPE FOR KIND WORDS BY ROOSEVELT

By McALISTER COLEMAN

EW YORK, all hot and bothered enough anyway, is now lathered up anew over the famous fadeout of Jimmy Walker. When folks there forget their troubles long enough to talk about politics, they wonder what Jimmy is up to now. Most of the wiseboys will tell you that if Jimmy can rig it up to run again, it's a cinch that he will get the biggest vote ever.

But here and there you run across a few less cynical souls who scratch their heads and wonder. Wonder if perhaps this isn't the definite end of the dapper little wisecracker. They point out that while Jimmy's stuff went big in the days of easy money, that while he was the envy of every hard-boiled lad who wanted to muscle into the political racket, things are different today. Grim reality walks the streets of the big town, shoulder to shoulder with its ever increasing armies of desperate men and women. It isn't half as funny as it used to be to play free, wide and handsome with money belonging to the people, when the people are facing starvation.

You can take your choice between these two views. Now, it looks to er had taken an awful licking.

Roosevelt and Power

And again, there is your choice of what this will do to Roosevelt. Again, some say that it will hurt the Governor's chances for election with Tammany and its allies all across the nation out to knife Franklin. Others maintain that by playing his cards close to his chest. and by letting Walker do all the hollering, the Governor may now go before the country in the popular role of the Great Tiger-fighter and rehy acquire infinite kudos. tainly beaming these days upon Franklin Roosevelt. By just sitting tight he is rapidly building

up around his candidacy an amazng myth. And that is, that this naturally weak, unimpressive and certainly ignorant (economically, that is,) gentleman from Hyde Park s somehow a veritable Crusader for Righteousness. When you are rude enough to ask exactly what he has done to give concrete expression to his supposed love for the "forgottenman," the answers are pathetically vague. In this week's "New Republic," for example, Mr. Judson King, of the National Popular Government League, an independent "liberal," who has been quietly whooping it up for Roosevelt, writes a long piece about Roosevelt's "Pow-er Record." This is one of the strongest lures for liberal, independent suckers. We read all about how Roosevelt got into the power fight "not as a theorist, but as an executive confronted by a practical but difficult situation." Brother King's alibi for Roosevelt's signing of the bill for the development of the St. Lawrence project recommending a State generating plant with private transmission and distribution, but not the alternative right of State transmission. It was the practical thing to do, boys and girls, and as usual, the great liberal did the practical thing. Further on, Mr. King says that the Governor is neither "Black" nor "Red" in this thrilling battle of his. He is "Blue." And he ends this amazing article with the following ringing prophecy. To wit, that if Roose-velt is elected, we will have a President "who will not be the chief spokesman of the utility combine, but who will, now and then at least, say something on the people's side of these vital problems."

Pathetic Liberalism

Now isn't that something to dance in the streets about? A president who will, "now and then at least" say something for our side. Goody Here are Mr. King and other liberals who for years have been going up and down the country damning the power trust and telling us that the only way to get back our economic freedom is to bust the horrid thing, cheering, however, feebly, for a man who hasn't the guts to insist upon even a minimum of state transmission and who, if the weather is pleasant and it happens to fit in with his mood may once in a while put in a good word for the ultimate consumer. Is it any wonder that "Liberalism" plays so pathetic a role in this country?

was wholly unsound. sleeping hours.

It may surprise some of us in these dark hours to reflect that our economic insecurity and poverty are of our own making. We do not suf-fer from fire, flood, tidal wave or earthquake. We have such abundance of natural resources that the cry goes up that we starve because we have produced too much. Electricity alone should give each man, woman and child in America the equivalent of the labor of more than 30 men. Wherever I go I hear or see new evidences of the giant strides of machinery. We have everything necessary for the aboli-

gence to use it correctly. And yet the number of unemployed is nearing the 13,000,000 The latest Wall street 'boom," such as it is, rests on no genuine recovery of business activity. On the contrary, freight car loadings, the production of steel and the like have reached a new low since the "boom" began. The boll weevil and the weather have again brought hope to the cotton farmers, and yet prices have not risen accordingly. The spontaneous strike of farmers who picket the roads is an evidence of courage and solidarity; it is also an evidence of near desperation. But it can not reach at the basic causes of our trouble.

System, Not People, Is Wrong

...Sprely we do not need to prove need to tell how it can be made

Obviously if we have the means to conquer poverty and do not do it, of two things is the matter. Either we are such amazing lunatics that we can not control for our own good what we invent, or else our system is wrong. I refuse to accept wholesale indictment of human

nature. The trouble is with the Machinery has already made for us an inter-dependent world. No longer does the shoemaker make a whole pair of shoes, or the housewife spin and weave the cloth and make the clothes. One man or one woman does one process in a factory. No longer are even our agriculturists dependent on food grown n their own borders. Each day's breakfast table lays tribute on the far corners of the globe.

But we manage this intricate system in an inter-dependent world on a grab bag basis. Natural resources belong to the man who has inherited or grabbed them. In our churches we say. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." Actually it is not the Lord but the landlord who gets the rent. God is lucky to get a few tips now and then! And the ownership on the basis of the possession of title does not apply merely to the surface of the land, it includes everything under the surface: Coal or oil or copper or iron, down to where it gets so hot that we no longer want to claim it

Capitalism Is Legalized Racketeering

Let me cite three of the extraordinary contradictions inherent in

1. Everybody admits that the one essential for the return of prosperity is a resumption of purchasing power, yet each corporation feels it is compelled to reduce purchasing power by discharging workers and lowering wages, and the governments, federal and state, actually puts taxes on sales to make the process of buying harder for the poor.

2. Capitalism still talks the language of individualism. Mr. Hoover advocates rugged individualism which Mr. Roosevelt says that the president does not practice, but that he, Mr. Roosevelt, is for true individualism. Meanwhile the 200 largest business corporations in America control 50 per cent of the business wealth and are controlled by less than 2,000 directors, most of whom do not direct. Here is im-

For Prosperity

Socialist Candidate for President

The Socialist Plan

THE prosperity of which Socialists speak is not that cheap A and tinsel thing which we called prosperity in the gambling mania on Wall street; that prosperity, as we now know,

The prosperity which America needs is a prosperity that will reach every home and drive forever from us that specter of fear for tomorrow which now haunts our waking and

-This Week's Fact-THE REWARD OF A LIFETIME OF LABOR Of all people who reach the age of 65 in this country, one third are depen-dent on public or private charity for their support. tion of poverty - save the intelli-

mense concentration, immense collectivism, but it is a collectivism without plan for the common good. It cannot be unscrambled anymore than we can unscramble eggs. But we can own the omelet! 3. Capitalism still claims that it

Crazy Capitalism

rewards work and ability, actually the big prizes go to successful manipulation. The wealthy families of America are not, with mighty few exceptions, scientists and inventors or even managers. Their fortunes came from a kind of legalized racketeering of which the boom years furnished so many examples.

A Plan for Real Prosperity

It is so simple that we find it hard to believe that the logical way out of this is to have engineers and workers working for society, that is for themselves instead of for absen-

social ownership of natural resources, the principal means of preduction, the great trusts, the public utilities and the banking system, and their management under a plan for the use of the great masses of workers with hands and brain rather than for profit of an owning class.

Such a system would produce an aboundance for all in that kind of private property such as food and lothes and homes in which we all believe. Socialized industries should be managed not by politicans but by directorates representing the workers in the industry and the consumers. Thus we could build a classless society of workers with hand and brain where every able bodied man and woman would work and all would share the leisure which the machine makes possible.

It is possible by condemnation and the proper use of taxation, including a capital levy, to bring about an orderly, equitable preof transfer of public utilities and the like from private to public hands. While we are doing the job we can declare war against unemployment through an immense program of relief and public work and the five-day week; we can lighten. the burden of debt and unscientific taxation on the farmers, put in a socialized marketing system, and. plan for the best use of agricultural ands from the standpoint of our own domestic needs and foreign

We can not do this and leave untouched swollen fortunes of a leisure class. We can not do it without thinking, without planning, without a new passion of loyalty to a cooperative commonwealth from which war and poverty will be banished.

That is the price of true prosperity. If we are unwilling to pay that price, the inevitable drift is to catastrophe. The desperation of quarreling nations competing for whatever trade there is, the despair of masses of unemployed workers and ruined farmers, will drive mankind to large scale war in which the powers of science which might be used for life will be used for wholesale destruction.

There is no time to lose, but it is not yet too late for men worthy of great traditions of the pioneers who built America to unite in social pio-neering. We can, if we will, build a new civilization on the basis of new civilization on abundance in which men's energies will be released from long dominion to poverty and fear and exploitation for the creation of beauty and the discovery of truth.

Socialism

"SOCIALISM is that policy or theory which aims at securing by the action of the central democratic authority a better distribution and in due subordination thereunto a better production of wealth than now prevails.'

-Encyclopedia Britannica.

THOMAS, DEBS APPEAL FOR AID

FOR ILL. MINERS

SPRINGFIELD, III. - The Midwest Striking Miners' Relief Fund, set up by the Springfield Socialist party and the industrial de-partment of the Young People's Socoalist League, announces the com-pletion of a national committee to sponsor a country-wide appeal to be made for the striking coal diggers of Illinois and Indiana.

The committee now lists among its members Duncan McDonald of Springfield, Ill., Norman Thomas of New York, Ralph Chaplin of the General Defense Committee, Chicago; John Dewey of New York, Leo Krzycki of Milwaukee, Heywood Broun, Upton Sinciair, Roy Burt of Chicago and Theodore Debs of Terre Haute. Ind.

and clothing to be shipped direct to Midwest Striking Miners' Relief Fund headquarters, which have been donated by the Slovene hall at 1031 S. 11th st., Springfield, Ill. Cash contributions should be addressed to Harold Kelso, treasurer, at 549 Ran-

dolph st., Chicago, Ill.
Although the Midwest Striking
Miners' Relief Fund has been in existence less than a week, many cash contributions have already been received. The first reaching the fund came, respectively, from the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief through Norman Thomas and the strike relief fund of the Young People's Socialist League of Greater New York. Winston Dancis, executive secretary of the New York Young Socialists, announces that the Y. P. S. L. circles of New York will hold a tag day for miners' relief, Sept. 17th and 18th.

Where You Can Hear Norman Thomas

Sept. 9th-Cleveland, O. Sept. 10th-Erie. Pa. Sept. 11th-Metuchen, N. J. Sept. 13th-Queens County, N. Y. C.

Sept. 14th.-Nassau County, N. Y. Sept. 14th-Over nation-wide

hook-up N. B. C. chain. Sept. 15th—Greenwich, Conn., 11 a. m.; Stamford, Conn., 12:30 p. m.; New Milford, Conn., 3 p. m.; Danbury, Conn., 5 p. m.; Norwalk, Conn., 8:45 p. m.

Sept. 16th - Waterbury, Conn., 12:30 p. m.; and Torrington, Bristol, New Britain and Meriden, Conn.

Sept. 17th-White Plains, N. Y. Sept. 18th-Town hall, New York Sept. 18th-Over station WOR,

New York City, 5:45 p. m. Sept. 19th — Campaign dinner, Sept. 19th — Campaign dinner Mecca temple, New York City. Sept. 20th—Schenectady, N. Y. Sept. 23rd—Traverse City, Mich.

Where You Can Hear James H. Maurer

Sept. 10th-Seattle, Wash. Sept. 11th-Portland, Ore. Sept. 12th-Eugene, Orn. Sept. 13th—San Jose, Cal. Sept. 14th and 15th—San Francisco, Cal.

Sept. 16th-Bakersfield, Cal. Sept. 17th, 18th and 19th - Los Angeles, Cal., and vicinity. Sept. 21st—San Diego, Cal. Sept. 23rd—Yuma, Ariz. Bept. 24th—El Paso, Tex.



-Drawn by A. Birnboum.

The Show Is On

Milestones of Progress

By W. E. WOODWARD

is afflicted just now with jerking paralysis. All right, I'll prove what say. Please read these notes of current events, and be convinced. Most of them have been taken from the newspapers.

Travel Notes: Dogwood known that offer across the continent? . . . actually. . . They did it on a bet. . . . Their achievement inspired two other men to do something bigger. . . . They put a Ford car in reverse and backed it all the tear from New York to Los Annoles. . . . And, as I write these words, a even more remarkable feat is being done. . . . A man out for a record is agained in rolling a peanut from St. oms to Jacksonville. . . . These hapamas show the temper and energy of be American people in a time of dis-

Economy Notes -J. P. Morgan is asking for a reduction of the tax assessment on his new Long Island property. . . . He bought it last year. . . . It adjoins his estate at property. . Glen Cove. . . . Paid only \$1,284,000 for it. . . Now he claims that it is not worth that much, and he wants the taxes reduced. . . . Very likely they will be. . . . And do you know that the salaries of the big movie stars are all going down, as a measure of economy? . . . Miss Constance Bennett, for instance, is now paid only \$10,000 a week. . . . Think of that! . . . Slashed to the bone. . . . And the pay of the salesgirls in Wanamaker's New York store has been

cut from \$12 to \$11 a week. . . The management of the store says wages were "adjusted" to fit the lower cost of living. . . . And there's Henry Ford, who was long famous for his minimum wage of \$5 a day. . . . He's adjusting wages too. . . . It is \$3 a day now, and if you don't like it you quit. .

Economy, of course, but it does seem that it may be carried too far. . Take the case of a certain Harvard graduate whom I have known for 15 years. . . . He has been thoroughly adjusted. . . . I met him on the street vesterday and his total assets were 13 cents. . . . He lost his job two years ago, can't find another one, has spent all his savings and for the last two weeks has been sleeping on the grass in the park . . . very economical

no room rent. . . . And, right on top of that, here's a circular in the mail from the most exclusive highhat men's furnishing store in New York, in which I am informed that the price of their finest grade of silk pajamas has been reduced from \$22 to \$14 a pair.

Prosperity Notes-At a fruit store on Madison ave., New York, they sell peaches wrapped in cellophane. ... Ten cents a peach. . . . Pros-perity must be just around the corner. . . . In July a man I know

I UMAN progress keeps moving on, in spite of the depression. Maybe you think that is all boloney, that I don't know what I am talking about, and that human progress is afflicted just now with jerking paralysis. All right, I'll prove what . I did my best, picking out ex-

pensive dishes, to run up a bill, but after all I ate only \$11 worth. .

. . . And, of course, that's some- brightest spot in the depression.

. . There's more actual cash in American banks than ever before in the nation's history. .

SOCIAL NOTES-A member of New Jersey woman's club whom I met at a party said she was astonished at me being a Socialist. Astonished why? . . . Well, did I believe in taking people's property away from them and drinking beer in dirty back rooms and never tak-

Comforting Notes-It is rumored that Andrew Mellon former secresavings of 20 years in the purchase saved \$16,000 as a provision for old age. . . . The mortgage on the house has just been foreclosed. . . . Her savings are gone to the last penny. . . The bank said it was too bad, but under new ownership the house will be in stronger hands. That Andrew Mellon former secretary of the treasury, lost millions mess. . . It sounds too good to be true. . . But here's one that is true. Samuel Insult, publicity magnate and God Almighty of the middle west, really did lose everything but his shirt in his recent smashup. . . . Hasn't got a cent to his page.

-X-Rays-Socialism for the Farmer

By JOHN M. WORK

WAS born and raised on a farm in the golden heart of the corn belt and have been in more or less close touch with the farming industry ever since—close enough to lose some dough in the farmers' deflation. This, I take it, is the "personal touch"! I write on the subject with less hesitation than I otherwise would.

want it.

The deflation has cleaned the farming is their only salvation just farmers more effectively than the old fanning mill cleaned their timothy seed.

1920 and has The industrial depression merely accentuated it.

Farmers who once were well off and considered themselves fixed for comfort in old age are now in poverty.

Farm mortgages have increased and the quantity of products necessary to pay interest and principal have also increased, because of the lower prices of farm products.

The proportionate number of tenants has increased. The tenants have lost hope of owning farms. Most of them are hopelessly in debt.

Many hundreds of banks in the rural regions have "busted." Large numbers of farmers owned stock in these banks. In many instances the stock was assessed 100 per cent to aid in paying creditors. They lost the stock and the 100 per cent besides, if they were able to pay the latter. Many lost their land or had to mortgage it heavily to pay the 100 per cent assessment. In spite of all this, these banks usually paid out only a fraction of their obligations, with consequent loss to multitudes of depositors.

in a very bad way. It is but little short of a wreck.

We Socialists have always told the farmers that we had no intention to force them into socialized farming.

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thy seed.

The farmers' deflation began in 920 and has continued ever since. The industrial depression merely acfarmers in the advantages of socialized farming, so that they will

> If large farms were owned collectively and farmed co-operatively the farmers could live in villages and have all modern conveniences. Except at certain rush time they could have as short hours of labor as the industrial workers, instead of working about twice as long. In a socialized regime their incomes will also equal those of the industrial workers.

> If farm women ever get an inkling of these facts the day of social-ized farming will dawn. Individual-ized farming is hell for the women. It is conceivable that there may be men who would prefer to slop around in mud and penury rather than work with others-but not the women. The woman folks would leap at the chance to escape from their present slavery if they only knew that there is a way of escape.

In the meanwhile, the socialization of the other industries would In short, the farming industry is help even the individualized farmer a good deal. It would afford him lower freight rates, the elimination of middlemen, and a far better market for his products. But nothing less than the socialization of farming can give him short hours of labor and equalize his income with But, in my judgment, socialized that of the industrial workers.

My Race for Congress

HEYWOOD BROUN



(Extracts from the famous columnist's 1930 diary, selected by him for publica-tion in AMERICA FOR ALL,

SEPT. 6, 1930.—(A campaign address)—I'd' like to talk about peace tonight. Of course, we have the Kellogg treaty which is supposed to have given us universal peace. But peace hasn't been what you might call universal. There's been bicker-ing here and bloodshed there. The marines have landed now and then on some distant shore. And other

peoples have had even bigger fights.
One way to get rid of war is to put aside warlike thoughts and warlike things. There's no point in being too pious about it, of course. I tried that on p / son. He was out in the sandpile with another kid, playing war with lead soldlers. They had a couple of boxes for forts and cannon pointing at each other.

I stopped and endeavored to get

them interested in a new game.
"Let's pretend," I suggested, "that
these wooden boxes aren't forts.
We'll call them churches. They look just as much like churches as they do like forts. Now the game is to see which preacher can get the largest number of parishioners into his church. But of course he can't actually grab them by the collar. He's got to talk them into his church."

I got two vetoes on that game

A Play About War

We'll never have peace just by taking the stand that some wars are better than others. Just being a little choosey about wars won't Every nation which has ever fought since the beginning of time has been whole-heartedly and sincerely convinced that its side of the

I remember a play which was written to satirize the way wars are brought about. There was a villain who thought it would help his fortunes if United States should fight Mexico. The audience sat in on even his most secret moves. At times his devices were so barefaced that we all laughed.

The villain got his war. The war for which there was no cause except lies and invention and propaganda. But then there came a scene which ruined the play. War had been declared. Suddenly screen and sound pictures were introduced into the play. Trumpets sounded. Men in uniform marched down the avenue. Bands blared. There came the soldiers marching, marching as to war. Suddenly a man in the audience applauded. Another took it up. A woman in a back row shouted out something. In a few seconds almost everybody in the theater was applauding. The spirit of war had seized them. The spirit of brass bands and trumpets and watch your

A Well-Timed Laugh

One man laughed out loud. Maybe it was the author. The laugh brought the audience back to its senses. Suddenly they realized that they had made fools of themselves that they had allowed themselves to be worked up to warlike fervor.

If a fake war in a play could do that, just consider what a real war can do. And in the case of a real war there never will be anybody to laugh and bring us back to our senses. We wouldn't let him laugh.

And so I say that not only should we steel our hearts against war but that we should never be willing even to come close to it. The duty of this generation and the next and the next is to build up the spirit of the Kellogg peace pacts to make paper tougher than armor, to make ideas more powerful than big guns and good-will more exciting than a brass

band. And so I suggest that we pulld our Socialist Party. It can be a stone wall over which the war-makers can never pass. In our growing party lies the greatest hope for a warless world. We've got to see that our party grows up bigger and stronger. Its strength will be and must be the protection of your child and mine in

the days to come.

I don't want those lead soldiers the sandpile to come to life.