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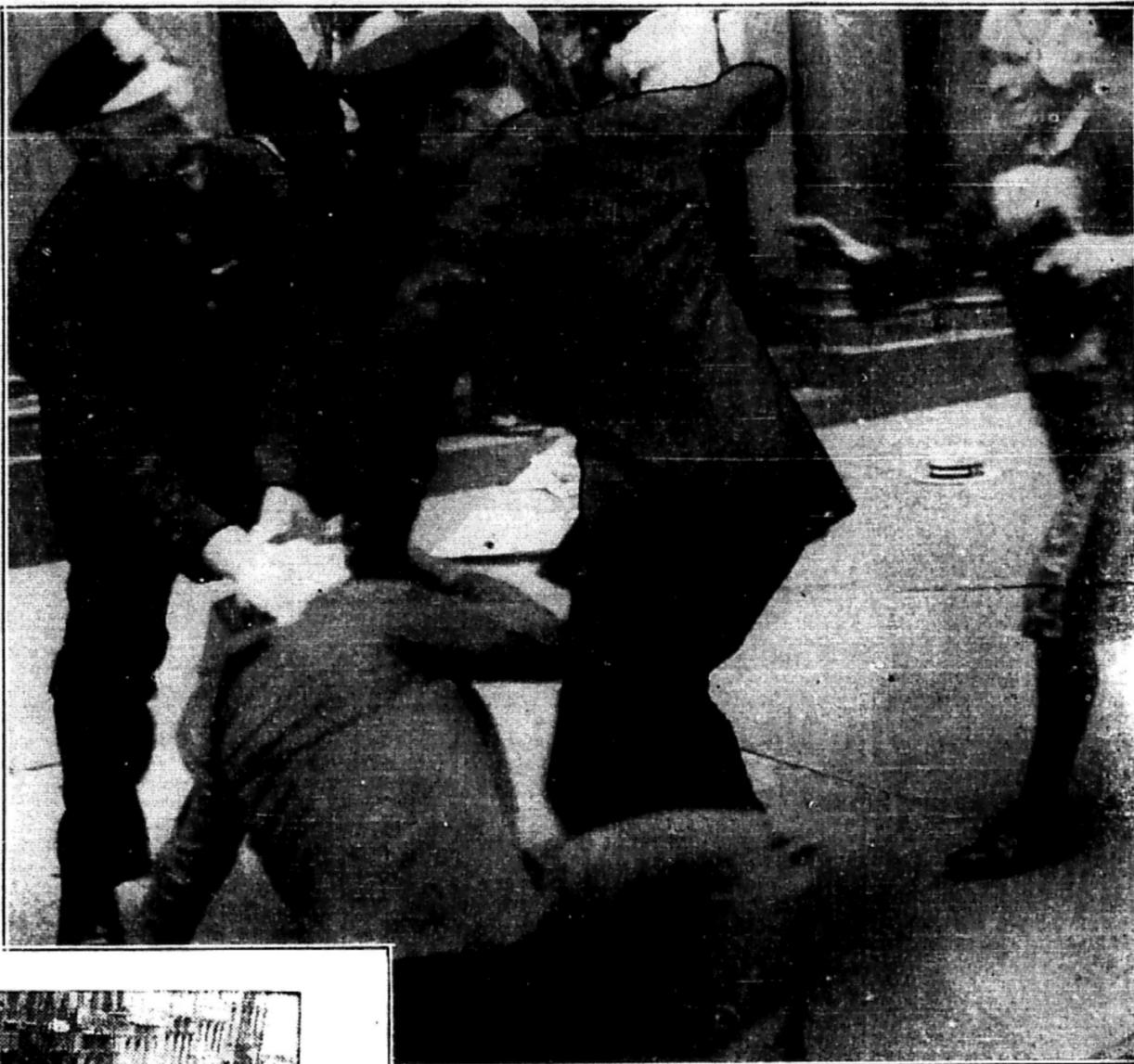
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THOMAS HITS ROOSEVELT For Campaign of Evasions

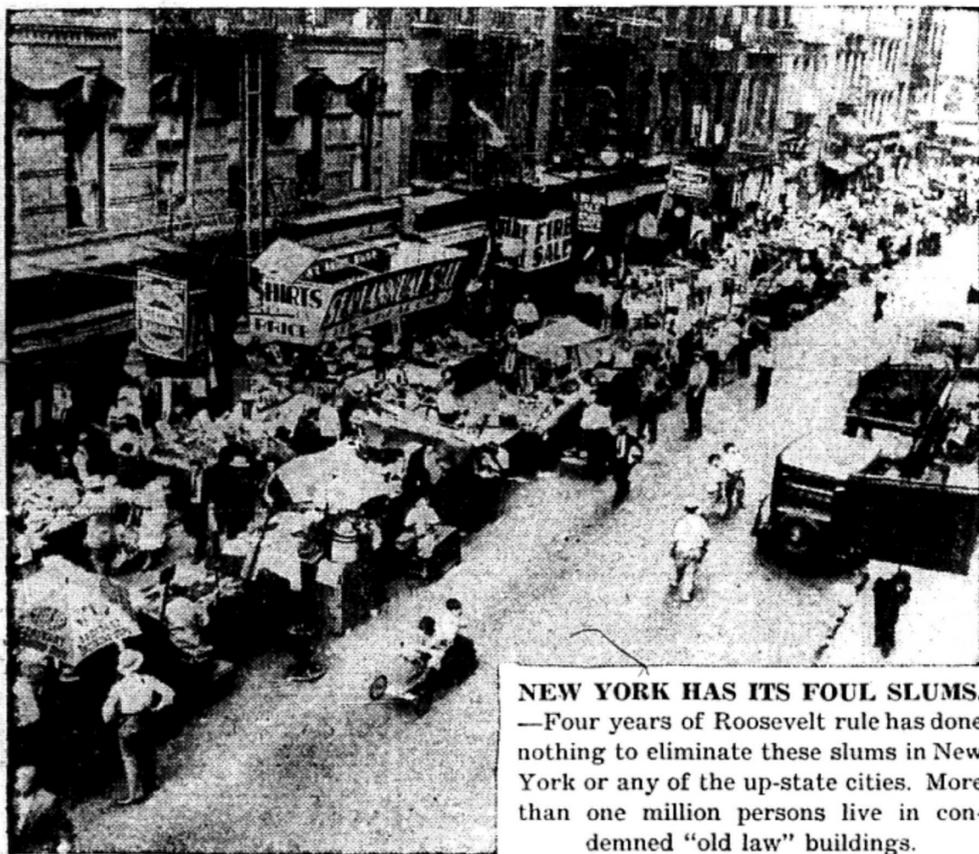
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CHILDREN WORK IN NEW YORK by scores of thousands. Gov. Roosevelt's administration has failed to do anything for them. This 15-year-old stands all day at her work of cleaning bottles.



NEW YORK'S POLICE CLUB **JOBLESS** as vigorously and brutally as Pres. Hoover's forces attacked the unemployed veterans. This is what happened to member of a protesting delegation of unemployed workers.



NEW YORK HAS ITS FOUL SLUMS.—Four years of Roosevelt rule has done nothing to eliminate these slums in New York or any of the up-state cities. More than one million persons live in condemned "old law" buildings.



THEY DON'T DO SO BADLY IN NEW YORK.—Nicholas F. Brady (above) and Owen D. Young (left), New York power trust magnates who thrive under Roosevelt rule. (See story on page 3). They are both staunch Roosevelt backers.



THE NATION'S BIGGEST BREADLINES in New York City. Here is a New York breadline photographed from the top of a huge skyscraper which some of these men helped to build. Despite increased unemployment the state has cut its relief appropriations by more than half.

ROOSEVELT'S RECORD OF EVASION

By NORMAN THOMAS

Candidate for President of the Socialist party with regard to unemployment, agriculture, mining, and foreign relations so explicitly that no one can accuse me of evading any of the issues which also are clearly set forth in our platform. I have earned the right to ask as much of our opponents.

It is a tragedy of American politics that habitually we nominate a candidate for president on a major party ticket and then hope fully wait to find out what views he has on public issues, if any. This is part of the system by which the class which owns both old parties reduces politics to a farce, a game, or an ignoble strife for office.

Events have forced Mr. Hoover to act so that we know his position. It is a consistent and sincerely capitalist position which however, does not match at all with the president's expressed devotion to rugged individualism. No man in America—few men in the world—have ever put the government in business so deeply as Mr. Hoover, but always with the avowed intention of bolstering up a sick profit system. What Mr. Hoover has done and left undone is subject to the severest criticism. But at least it may be said of him that having recovered from his wholly illusory optimism of 1928 and '29 he has managed to work out some sort of program, bad as it is.

Roosevelt's Friend, Hearst

No one living knows what Mr. Roosevelt's program is—not even Mr. Roosevelt. A nation waits expectantly for him to elaborate it now that he is nominated. In no great essential is it set forth by his party platform which in the main is a belated expression of Jeffersonianism of which the principal author was that arch foe of liberty and Justice, A. Mitchell Palmer.

For the rest what do we know about Mr. Roosevelt's position? In foreign affairs his mentor is William Randolph Hearst at whose behest he blithely and frivolously denounced the League of Nations for which he campaigned in 1920. He is opposed to cancellation of debts, also at Mr. Hearst's behest, without having given us any idea of how to collect them. For the rest he has thus far indulged in the usual platitudes about his desire for peace and for big enough armies and navies. He has been absolutely silent thus far on Russia.

In economic Mr. Roosevelt's record is equally vague. He has succeeded in being liberal enough to please a varied assortment which includes Senator Wheeler, Barney Baruch and Vincent Astor. When the great controversy on sales taxes was being waged last winter he disavowed any expression of opinion on the subject. He is now in favor of some sort of regulation of banking in general and Wall St. in particular, but has utterly ignored my challenge to show how far his vague reasons would go in this emergency and why he did not advocate them sooner and more effectively as Governor of New York in which office he had a degree of power, apart from speech, which a presidential candidate has not.

No Program for the Poor Farmers
He has finally developed a partial, vague and not wholly consistent program on agriculture, the good features of which sound as if they were taken from the Socialist platform but without the well-rounded balance of a Socialist program. The Government has never lifted his finger to save them or the consumers against the extortions of the great milk companies in his own state. He has no plan now to touch the monstrous evils of tenant farming which is over 50% of the whole in some of our most fertile states.

Everybody is guessing what Mr. Roosevelt will finally say about a detailed program on unemployment. He has done little enough for New York's unemployed. Apparently we nominate our candidates as we pick jurors, on the ground that they have no opinion on the matter in hand. Mr. Judson King is going to make Gov. Roosevelt a kind of St. George to kill the power trust dragon willfully. The record does not bear out Mr. King's enthusiasm. After first fumbling the power situation

badly in New York, for example, in the matter of the treaty permitting further diversion of water at Niagara Falls, the Governor was down and consummated a victory virtually won before he took office in the matter of St. Lawrence power. He started out somewhat bravely for immediate reforms but dropped the fight completely in the last legislature. He has not used one bit of his power or influence in behalf of the people of New York City over half of whom are now compelled by a service charge to pay more, not less, for their electricity. He is on record merely in favor of efficient regulation, a thing which events have proved to be impossible. Even his advocacy of public ownership of great transmission lines is put forward by him only as a measure of last resort hedged about with many qualifications.

Played Close to Tammany

In relation to Tammany Hall and Mayor Walker the Governor has got at a very cheap price a considerable reputation for courage. Actually what he has done and left undone

An Appeal to Liberals

By JOHN HAYNES HOLMES

IN ALL probability there are few liberals who will vote this fall for Mr. Hoover and the Republican party. A combination of circumstances has alienated the liberals of this country to a point which makes impossible any support of the administration's cause. The great multitude of liberals in this country will turn elsewhere.

This brings us to the real danger in the situation—that the liberals will vote on election day for the Democrats!

Those liberals who have signified their intention of doing this very thing justify that indictment of superficiality, futility, and sentimentality which in late years has made the name of liberal a dubious distinction. Enough of them may mass to the polls under the Democratic banner on November 8th to complete a process of intellectual and moral bankruptcy already far advanced. For how is it possible for any person with a brain and a conscience to support, even in a single election, the Democratic party?

Political Degeneration
Look at the party itself—a hopeless combination of the Bourbon South and the industrial East, of southern Negrophobes and northern gangsters! The "cohesive power of public plunder" is usually adequate to hold together a crowd of politicians, but not even this influence suffices to weld the contemporary Democracy into a single, compact organization.

Devoid of ideas, barren of policies, unconscious of principles, possessing nothing but a historic tradition feebly surviving the era which gave it birth, moved by nothing but the insatiable hunger for the spoils of office, the Democratic Party presents today the crowning spectacle of political degeneration in America.

If the party itself is hopeless, what shall we say of its present leadership? Is there anything in the man now in control of the machine to challenge respect, or quicken hope? On the contrary, at a moment presenting a mirage of victory, the old Democracy, like some rotting derelict, has been seized by as disreputable a gang of pirates as ever needed a plank to keep them afloat.

Roosevelt's Holy Trinity
Behold, the holy Trinity, Hearst, lustful as ever for political power in high places; McAdoo, burning with revenge for the defeat of 1924 and its succeeding years of obscurity; Garner, the typical small-town politician, gladly surrendering any principle, bartering any element of political and political power to deal these men pulled off at Chicago. It is comparable only to another and earlier deal in the same city which gave us the glories of the Harding regime.

And who is the candidate of the

done can be explained intelligently only in reference to his political ambitions. At least until the Walker hearing, it is still true that as closely as he was without being hopelessly marked as Tammany's man. He played his game skillfully. Keeping in mind his conduct of the Walker hearing, it is still true that the only indignation the Governor has expressed in the New York situation has been not against corrupt and inefficient officials but against their crusading enemies, Drs. Wise and Holmes.

This, then, is the knight of the people's cause who leads out a party of motley office seekers agreed on no one thing except their desire for spoils.

Is it any wonder that the threat of Fascism in America grows apace? From this threat such old parties as the ramshackle Republican and Democratic legions of hungry office seekers have become can never deliver us.

Our one hope is in the Socialist movement in cities, states, and nation.

Democratic Party? A man honest, decent, intellectual, as Harding never was, but equally as aimable, weak, and accommodating as the late unlamented citizen of Marion, Franklin D. Roosevelt loves to play the great role of statesman and public leader. Like Harding, he looks the part.

But where are the ideas, the knowledge, the vision, the steadfast honor and independence, which qualify him for the role that he would play? Especially where is there the slightest evidence of that progressive, forward-looking spirit, which the liberal rightly demands in his candidates for public office? Here, again, the New York Governor makes a fine pretence. But young Mr. Aster, clad in his uncounted millions, was right when he came away from Albany the other day and confided to Wall Street that there was nothing dangerous in Roosevelt!

The "Third Party" Is Here
There is something so patent, so blatant, so flatly and frankly vulgar, about the whole Democratic set-up in this campaign, that we marvel anybody of voting-age can be deceived.

Now, if ever, is the time to throw off allegiance to both the old parties, and to have done for good and all with the foolish old game of Tweedie-Dee and Tweedie-Dum. Americans will never make a forward step either politically or socially, until they stop oscillating in campaign after campaign between the Republican and Democratic tickets. Liberals will never again be worthy of a name which was once not only respectable but honorable, until they declare "a plague on both your houses."

Especially now, in this campaign, with such a candidate as Norman Thomas in the field, is the chance given to liberals, and all other stalwart folk to proclaim a long-delayed declaration of independence. The League for Independent Political Action has pointed the way. Norman Thomas is the candidate for all independents to support. And for all independents to support, the Socialist party is the long-hoped-for third-party which, in campaigns to come, shall unite all free, brave spirits for the redemption of the Republic.

(In a later article, Dr. Holmes will state the positive reasons why all liberals should support the Socialist Party in this campaign.—Editor)

MAYOR HOAN STARTS CAMPAIGN TOUR OCT. 1

Mayor Daniel W. Hoan of Milwaukee, chairman of the Socialist national campaign committee, will make an 11-day campaign tour beginning Oct. 1, when he will speak in Detroit. Other cities which will have an opportunity to hear Mayor Hoan will be Philadelphia, on Oct. 2; Schenectady, Oct. 3; Boston, Oct. 4; Bridgeport, Oct. 5; New York City, Oct. 6 and 7; Camden and Trenton, N. J., on Oct. 8; Pittsburgh, Oct. 9; Louisville, Oct. 10, and St. Louis, Oct. 11.

G. O. P. ALLOWS CURTIS TO SPEAK IN FOGLESVILLE

By McALISTER COLEMAN

IF it wasn't a serious news dispatch to the New York World-Telegram, we would take it that the following was inspired by the plot of "Of These I Sing":

Washington, Sept. 16.—Vice President Curtis will avoid all direct reference to prohibition when he opens the Pennsylvania campaign at a Republican rally at Foglesville. Instead he will talk about farm relief. Mr. Curtis' Pennsylvania remarks will be closely heeded in Washington, because it will be his first address since his acceptance speech and probably his only speech along the Atlantic seaboard. The vice president's decision to dodge the controversial prohibition issue results from the numerous protests made by Pennsylvania Republican leaders against any speech by him at all.

Nothing like giving an educated Indian a big hand. It was pretty white of the boys to let him sound off at an important salient like Foglesville, Pa. And the old boy done good, too. His brain is as clear as it ever was. He has learned to count since he has been vice president, and in his speech he went real high, saying that "our exports in 1929 amounted to \$4,250,000,000. So you see there was an increase in our foreign trade." So you see. And nobody but a meanie would ask old Throwing Bull what our exports were in 1930.

What Hit Us

Following the Maine calamity Herbert Hoover is going to whirlwind. These are tough days for the Harried One. It says in the paper that he was "closeted for more than seven hours with Sec. Mills and Sec. Hurley." When he got out of the closet he let it be known that he is going to go somewhere way off from Washington. If necessary, he will withdraw the coast, and one can hardly blame him after such a trying experience.

Sec. Hurley, who just got back (alive) from the American Legion convention, told the president that all over the country people were just dying; just dying to see him, that is. The voters, it seems, are anxious to see "The Cause of it All" in the flesh. They have a morbid curiosity about looking at what hit them, just as pneumonia victims like to look at pneumococci under a microscope.

So Herbert will start whirlwind-ing in October instead of doing what was originally planned, i. e., sitting around having his picture taken ending the depression. I was mistaken last week when I told you boys and girls that I had it from the White House that the depression was all over. It is still here after all, but now, it appears, that it will only last through the winter. Herbert now says, "It is inconceivable that this calamity can last beyond the winter." At first we thought that he had become so depressed by Maine that he was talking about himself. Now it is clear that he means that thing that the Czecho-Slovakians thought up to do us all dirt.

The Same Socialism
Elmer Davis in the September Harper's says, "The Marxian faith is worth this much to American Socialism—it inspires a nucleus of devotees to keep the party organization going without much money." But he qualifies even this faint praise by going on, "The Socialists could not win without the votes of many millions of non-Socialists—so many that the Marxian nucleus would be swamped." I can assure Mr. Davis that the least of the Socialist's worries today is lest he be swamped by invading hordes of non-Socialists. Our party organization is strong enough spiritually and mentally not to be swept off its Marxian foundations by any sudden influx of hopeless Liberals or disgruntled old-party bolters.

We are doing business at the same old stand (and a better business than in many years) because of our deep-rooted and passionate conviction that "Marxian Socialism, which is revolutionary militant Socialism, alone affords the chance for a satisfactory life for the oppressed American workers."

Another audience of 10,000 greeted Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president, last week, at the New Jersey Socialist field day held at Metuchen. It was the biggest Socialist rally ever held in New Jersey. Fully 1,000 cars lined the road for more than two miles, with men and women from every part of the state crowded into park.

After the New Jersey rally came a week of campaigning in New York and Connecticut. Thomas was given a 15-minute ovation at the opening rally of the New York City Socialists held in town hall. He was forced to address a large outdoor, overflow audience. The metropolitan papers pronounced the meeting the most enthusiastic Socialist rally in many years. During the week Hempstead, Long Island, gave Thomas an audience of 2,000, while an audience in Queens county brought almost 1,000 listeners, who filled every seat in the largest available hall.

Despite rainy weather, an automobile-speeding tour of Connecticut cities was highly successful. Five meetings were held daily. Norwalk

The Best Times We Ever Had

By HENRY FORD



IF WE could only realize it, these are the best times we ever had. They have really saved us from major disaster. I don't call this chaos.

I call it life bursting old confining molds and seeking something new and alive, more fitting in its intelligence and morality.

—HENRY FORD in The Pictorial Review for October, 1932.



Photographs taken at the Ford plant, Dearborn, Michigan, March 7th, 1932, when thousands of unemployed paraded peacefully to the plant to plead for work. Three were killed and a score seriously injured when their plea for bread was answered with lead.

10,000 Cheer Thomas at N. J. Socialist Rally

Where You Can Hear Thomas and Maurer

- WHERE THOMAS SPEAKS
- Sept. 23—Traverse City, Mich., Michigan Education Society.
 - Sept. 24—Saginaw, Mich., 2:30 p. m.; Jackson, Mich., 8 p. m.
 - Sept. 25—Madison, Wis., U. of Wis. Field House, 2:30 p. m.; Beloit, Wis., evening.
 - Sept. 26—Milwaukee, Wis., Eagles' club noon luncheon; 8 p. m., mass meeting, Eagles' hall.
 - Sept. 27—Kenosha, Wis., 7 p. m.; Racine, Wis., 8:30 p. m.
 - Sept. 28—Superior, Wis., 7:30 p. m.; Duluth, Minn., 9 p. m.
 - Sept. 29—St. Paul, Minn.
 - Sept. 30—Train meetings, Fargo, N. D., 2:45 p. m.; Jamestown, N. D., 5:15 p. m.; Mandan, N. D., 7:05 p. m.
- WHERE MAURER SPEAKS
- Sept. 23—Yuma, Ariz.
 - Sept. 24—El Paso, Tex.
 - Sept. 26—San Antonio, Tex.
 - Sept. 27—Houston, Tex.
 - Sept. 29—Ft. Smith, Ark.
 - Sept. 30—Little Rock, Ark.
 - Oct. 1—St. Louis, Mo.

UTILITIES ENJOY ROMAN HOLIDAY IN NEW YORK

The Blessings of Democratic Rule. New York

THE public utilities corporations of New York state are enjoying a Roman holiday. Gov. Roosevelt's self-proclaimed opposition to the utilities has not made a bit of difference. The utilities have been raking in more profits in the depression years than before, while Roosevelt's public service commission has stood by complacently.

Some of the facts of this amazing situation have just been brought to light by Lois Waldman, Socialist candidate for governor in New York. The total New York wage bill has dropped 50 per cent in the state, but gas companies in New York charge as much or more than they did in "boom" years. The average bill for domestic users of gas, \$2 a month in 1929, is now \$2.35 a month.

Depression Profits
The Brooklyn Union Gas Co., one link in the power trust, was offered by Waldman as an illustration. In August of 1931, all consumers whose bills totaled \$2.50 a month or less had an increase in rates perpetrated on them. This effected practically all of the domestic consumers.

This grab worked so well for the company that its total dividend of \$3,611,000 in 1929 was increased to \$3,704,000 in 1931. Not so bad for a depression year. Thus far in 1932 the usual quarterly dividends have been paid. This gave a 10 per cent return to the owners of the company.

Not is that all. At least 41 per cent of the company's stock is pure water—it represents no actual investment. For 37 years now the consumers have been forced to pay dividends on \$15,000,000 worth of this stock. The stolen dividends on this stock now total more than 40 million dollars. The record and income of the Brooklyn Union Co. are typical of many other New York state companies, notably Utica, Rochester and Rockland counties.

Utilities for Roosevelt
No wonder Gov. Roosevelt is not feared by the power interests. In fact they are very enthusiastic about him. Among the New York robber barons of power are Owen D. Young and Nicholas F. Brady. They are both Democrats and Roosevelt men to the core. Big business men of New York, tied up closely with the utilities, have been among the major contributors to the Roosevelt fund thus far. Vincent Astor has given \$25,000. Peter Goelst Gerry \$2,000. William H. Woodin \$10,000. Total Roosevelt campaign receipts from June 1 to Aug. 31 were \$33,154—far ahead of the Republican contributions for the same period, which totalled a measly \$103,628.

The utility interests support

HALF MILLION JERSEY JOBLESS RECEIVE NO AID

The Blessings of Democratic Rule. New Jersey

NEW JERSEY with a population of 4,041,334, of whom 1,712,125 were gainful workers, according to the 1930 federal census, had in July, 1932, 549,500 unemployed workers. In other words, 1 out of 3 of the working population unemployed.

Chester I. Barnard, Director of the New Jersey Emergency Relief Assn., says that "About \$18,000,000 at least would be required to aid the 800,000 who are dependent on charity during the coming year." Which means that during a 12-month period each person will receive from the state on the average \$22.50, or \$1.88 a month, or 6 cents a day. A \$20,000,000 bond issue is being submitted for referendum in the November election.

This proposal of Democratic New Jersey to vote a little more than 6 cents a day to its unemployed would continue the state's record of deserting most of the jobless. During the eight months from October, 1931, to June, 1932, appropriations of New Jersey cities, counties and state for jobless relief totalled \$18,000,000.

Obviously most of the needy persons received no help at all. On Dec. 1st last, but 30,000 workers were employed on emergency projects and 140,000 were receiving some relief funds. That means that approximately half a million of the needy were receiving no help.

The Democratic party holds no more hope for the working people than do Hoover and the Republicans. Both have deserted the workers in their hour of need. And both stand for the same system which has plunged some 12,000,000 workers into idleness. The Socialist party would feed the workers now and strive with all haste to end the system that robs them during "so-called" prosperity years and throws them on the scrap-heap when the system breaks down.

Textile Workers Ban

Roosevelt Endorsement
Efforts of supporters of Gov. Roosevelt to win an endorsement from the national convention of the United Textile Workers of America failed last week when supporters of Norman Thomas, Socialist, put up a strong opposition. After two hours of debate, the resolutions were tabled. In other years the union has endorsed Democratic candidates. The convention ended with the adoption of a resolution calling for formation of a Labor Party independent of the two old parties.

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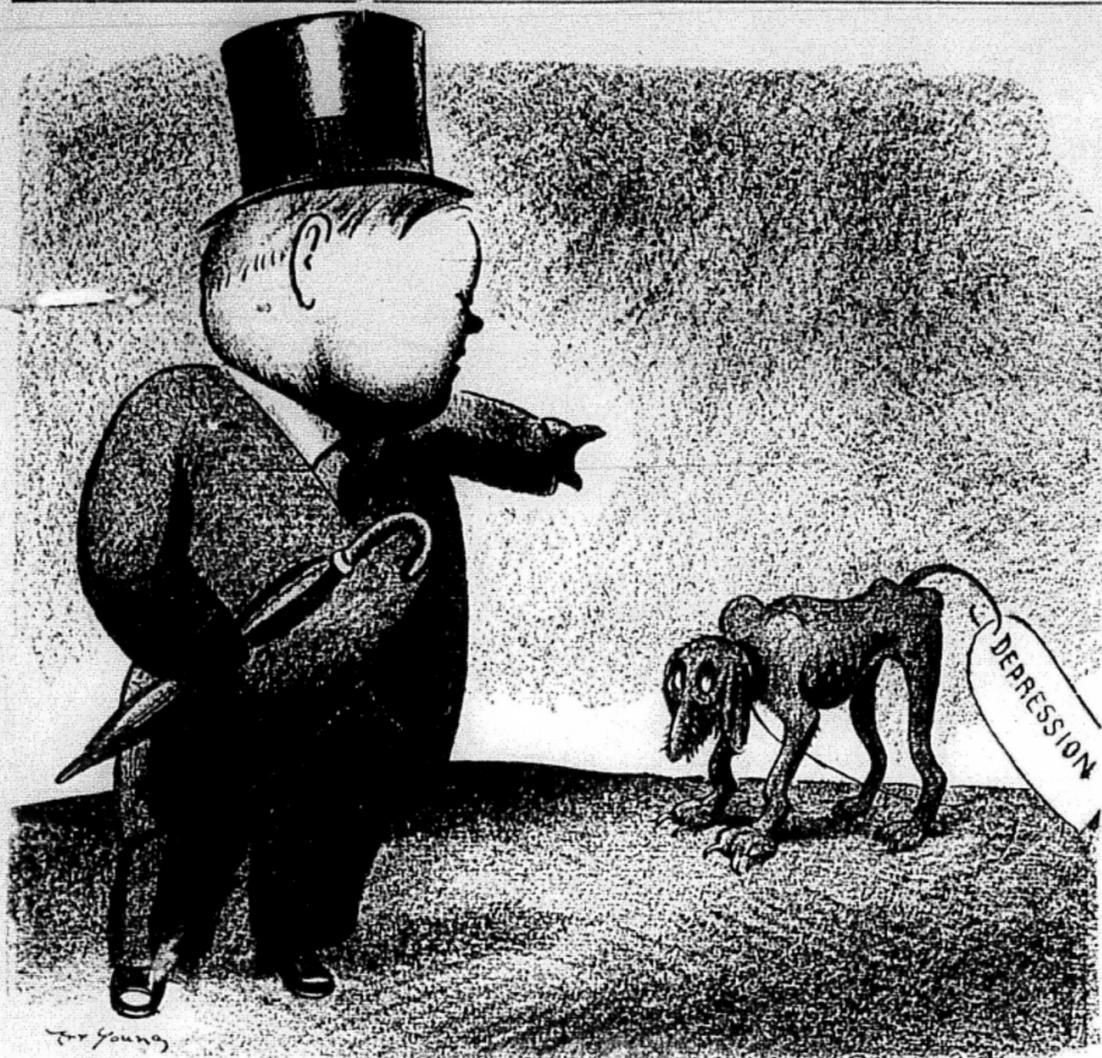
"They go fast. They are great."—Gilbert L. Forbes.

"We congratulate you and hope it will stay for good."—Louis Kunz, Cleveland.

"Highly pleased with it."—W. L. Baldrige, Arkansas City.

"Your paper is well accepted and will not be forgotten in the future."—Policy Committee, Progressive Miners of America, Gillespie, Ill.

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Hoodooed

Hoover: "You stop following me! D'hear? Here I am all dressed up for a second term and you spoil everything."

Drawn by Art Young

X-Rays

What Steinmetz Thought of Socialism

By JOHN M. WORK

HIRELING editors in the field of plute journalism deem it a part of their "duty" to lead their dupes to believe that a regime of social justice—Socialism—would afford no incentive to inventive genius and therefore the era of invention would come to a sudden and complete stop. While persons of independent thinking can easily see for themselves that such claims are quite the opposite of the truth, it is gratifying that an able inventor as the late Charles P. Steinmetz testified on the subject.

Steinmetz was an electrical wizard equal to Edison and Marconi. He was a Socialist, and he was the candidate for state engineer and surveyor on the ticket of the Socialist party in the state of New York 10 years ago this fall; that is, in 1922. He was consulting engineer of the General Electric Co. Within limits he could set his own price for his services because of his pre-eminent ability. His testimony on this subject is worth a million times as much as that of a million hireling editors who are paid to lie about Socialism.

He said that by far the largest number of inventions are those which consist in the design and development of things—rather than epoch-makers. These inventions are usually the work of engineers who are paid salaries and whose inventions, under their contracts of service, become the property of the corporations for which they work.

This arrangement is barren of individual profit for the inventors. "Thus, said Steinmetz, "the evidence of experience is that this most numerous and in their aggregate most important class of inventions would not be decreased by the socialization of society. Organized society would simply take the place of the present-day industrial corporation, and the prolificness of the inventors would still further increase by the increased opportunities and facilities."

BUTLER GETTING HOPELESS. "The Republican party," said Nicholas Murray Butler in an address last November before the National Republican Club, "just now appears to lack both unity, capacity and courage to deal with the grave problems of the moment." Outside of that the party is fundamentally sound.

Speaking of the great epoch-making inventions—which are few in number—he said that under our present industrial organization it is inevitable that the originators of such inventions should receive a relatively meager financial return, slight compared with the returns which go to the useless capitalistic parasites who live by owning what others must use.

"The reward of the inventor is reputation and fame and the satisfaction of his accomplishment—rewards which will remain and be greater still under Socialism," Steinmetz wrote.

And again, "Obviously, in Socialistic society, there would be no special interests opposing the inventor's fullest recognition; no man belittling and denying his invention for commercial reasons, and the realization that a successful invention would be

immediately adopted by the whole national or even international industry, and used for the common good, that it would make the inventor a hero, but a hero of creation and not destruction—as have been most heroes of past days—all this will necessarily be an incentive for the inventor, far greater than anything present-day society has to offer."

Amen! The plain truth is that, not only in the matter of invention, but in every other worthy respect, Socialism will greatly increase incentive.

Capitalism affords abundant incentive to lie, to cheat and to commit all sorts of heinous offenses against individual and collective human welfare.

Socialism will abolish the bad incentives, and it will preserve and increase the good incentive.

The Best Way to Throw Your Vote Away

By W. E. WOODWARD

OF ALL the foolish arguments used at election time by the stump speakers of the old parties the silliest probably is the one that if you vote the Socialist ticket your vote is wasted. I listened to a Democratic soap-box speaker on a New York corner the other night. He was in a neighborhood that has many Socialists.

"Now, you know as well as I do," he said to the crowd, "that Norman Thomas hasn't got a chance. He may be the choice of a lot of you. I don't say anything against that; every man has a right to his opinion. But, I ask you, what sense is there in going down to the polls on election day and throwing your vote away? You might as well stay at home and not vote at all, for all the good it will do. Why vote for a man who can't possibly win? He may have the best ideas on earth, and the best platform—though, in my opinion, he hasn't—but, even if he had they won't get anywhere unless he's elected."

That line of bunk appears in every campaign about this time. If you take it seriously, let me tell you that your mental motor is missing fire, and needs new spark plugs, or something.

Here's the truth. The best way to throw away your vote, if you are anxious to do that, is to cast it for Hoover or Roosevelt. In either case you'll be just one more vote among many millions, of not the least im-

portance. You might as well pick up a grain of sand on the seashore, and say, "This grain of sand is very important; it counts big." Well, it doesn't, and you know it. If you vote for either of the old parties you'll be that grain of sand, politically speaking.

A vote for Thomas not only counts, but its political and social value is several times greater than any Republican or Democratic vote. I will illustrate this remark. Suppose we cast two million, or three million, votes for the Socialist national ticket at this election. If we do that we'll scare the pants off the winning party. They will not be able to disregard us any longer, and you'll find them thinking up ways to meet the demands of the Socialists. And that will be so even if we do not succeed in electing a single Congressman. It is size that carries weight, and the Socialist party will never have a punch until Socialists everywhere vote the ticket regardless of local or national conditions.

But, suppose on the other hand a lot of our weak-kneed brethren get a notion in their heads that in voting for Thomas they are throwing away their votes; and, as a result, we wind up with only 400,000 or 500,000 votes. That wouldn't scare anybody. They will call us a small, weak party, full of cranks and sore-heads, and let it go at that.

Just get the Socialist party into the million-vote class and you will see that they will not think of us any longer in such terms.

The Only Hope

By LOREN NORMAN

When you're jobless and dejected,
And the world seems mighty blue;
When you've tried and been rejected
By the boss of every crew;
When the rent is due tomorrow
And you're broke as flat as hell;
When your soul's so steeped in sorrow
You would jump into the well
If it wasn't for the baby
And the wife and all of that;

When you get to thinking maybe
This old world where you are at
Is full of naught but sadness
And is painful as a boil;
When 'twould fill your heart with gladness
Just to shuffle off this coil;
When Roosevelt's sweet platitudes
(And Hoover's) make you cry
And all of life's beautitudes
Have blithely passed you by—

Then it's time to start you wondering
And to mark you well this promise,
If you want an end to blundering,
Cast your vote for Norman Thomas.

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Wanted: Five million voters who will think for themselves; 5,000,000 voters who will scorn the hypocrisy of the Democratic party which after a life-time of service to capitalism, now pretends to remember the "forgotten man"; 5,000,000 voters who are fed up on Hoover's "rugged individualism" for the workers and government subsidies for big business.

Wanted: Five million voters who are ready to vote for themselves; 5,000,000 voters who are ready to fight for the reorganization of our economic society; 5,000,000 voters who believe that industry should be owned and run for all the people:

Wanted: Five million voters who will vote for Norman Thomas and James H. Maurer and hit the two old parties a blow that will keep them reeling; 5,000,000 voters who will come to bat in the next election with forces multiplied five-fold and hand the two old parties a knockout blow for good.

Will you be one of the 5,000,000?

The Aim of Socialism

"The aim of the dominant Socialism is to gain political power in order to convert private property in land and capital into collective property and use it for the common good."—NELSON'S ENCYCLOPEDIA.

Hoan Denounces Economy Plea of the Wealthy

BUT one high public official in the entire nation has had the courage and the sense of justice to fight the huge tax-dodging campaign now being carried on by the wealthy of the nation under the disguise of the "National Economy League."

That official is Mayor Daniel W. Hoan, Socialist mayor of Milwaukee, the 11th largest city in the nation. Mayor Hoan this week ripped into the National Economy League, and its Milwaukee offshoot, "The Taxpayers Advisory Council."

Standing on the platform of the Socialist party in cities, states, and in the nation, Mayor Hoan told the would-be tax dodgers:

"I am more interested in maintaining social services for the mass of the people, than in saving a few dollars for those with swollen fortunes. I am not going to join in the hysterical campaign to cut salaries, public and private, only to increase the burden of carrying the victims as recipients of charity."

After reviewing the leading financial position of Socialist Milwaukee, Mayor Hoan struck out from the shoulder in words that can't be misunderstood.

Cutting the Nation's Throat

"The nation-wide campaign to cut wages, cut costs, cut taxes, etc., is cutting the throat of America," Hoan declared. "It is designed to accomplish three things: 1—Lower our boasted American standard of living for those who work; 2—Save money for those who are already much too wealthy, AND—

"3. Raise a smoke screen to distract attention from the real problem, namely, the exploitation of our country and the degradation of its masses by the favored few."

Mayor Hoan declared he favored increasing, not lowering, the purchasing power of the people to the point the workers could buy back what they produce.

"I should a thousand times rather vacate this office of mayor than be a party to lowering the standard of livelihood of our people, especially at a period when untold quantities of provisions are decaying for lack of sale."

WANTS THREE PRESIDENTS.

Sherwood Anderson, novelist, has endorsed more candidates for president than anybody else. Thus far he has urged the election of Hoover, Roosevelt and Foster, the Communist.