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Comrades, the watch which the Appeal will give as a souvenir to the Veterans of the army of a Million, is as good as workmanship can make it. At retail it would cost you at least \$25, which is nearly onehalf the amount you will send us in the 52 weeks of service. But neither you nor I care for its commercial value. On the case will be stamped a design that will never be effaced, bearing the immortal words of Marx, "Workingmen of all countries, unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain." This is the rallying cry of the Socialists over all the earth, and carries with its use a stronger guarantee of brotherhood and fellowship than all the Fraternal organizations ever established. In addition to this motto, your name will be engraved on the case, as follows: Presented by the Appeal to Reason to _____ for valiant service in the Army for a Million. These mottoes stamped on this watch, and the latter actually earned on the battle line, you will hold its possession as a treasure of priceless value. You cannot buy these watches for they will not be sold by anyone. When the volunteers are all enrolled and the work done we will order the watches to those who have been faithful to the end. The plate will then be destroyed and this page in Socialist history be closed forever. We want you to get this handsome souvenir. You will never part with it at any price and some day we will meet in grand reunion, and as veterans of the Appeal Army recount our struggles when the fight was young. Socialist women, take your places by our side in this struggle. You have more at stake than the men, for while your husband is the servant of the master class, you only too often are the servant of both. No other political party has ever been brave enough to boldly declare that you shall be man's equal both at the ballot box and on the field of labor. Help earn your long-delayed emancipation.

J. A. WAYLAND, Editor Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas: ·Comrade: - You may enter my name on the roll of Five Thousand for the "TWELVE MONTHS" CAMPAIGN" FOR A MILLION CIRCULATION. Name. Street and No .-N. B.—Comrades in filling out this blank are requested to write name and address plainly as possible, to avoid mistak

A full-jeweled watch, in 23-year gold case, appropriately cograved with name and the merit for which given, will be sented to each Comrade who shall prove faithful to the end.

same tax on the colonists that the trusts are levying on the people now, there would not have been one-tenth of the people supporting the king. As it was a large part of the colc-nists were tories favoring the king. Why is robbery less odious now than then?

When capitalists can not do what they want because of some law, they do not get mad and defy the law—they just go and buy the law they want. When labor can't do what it wants their to do, what it has a natural right to do, should elect men to make such laws as it needs. It has the votes—capital has very few votes. If the many remain stupid they must remain

Note this: The Socialists are just as busy now propagating their beliefs as they were just before the election. They never let up. The believers in the old parties are not mentioning politics. They depend on exciting their dupes about a month before election and rouning them like cattle into the voting booths. We are gaining every minute on

The men who run for office do not want the place for the public good. They want office for what they can make out of it for them and for what they can make out of it for them and friends. You know that, Men who want the public to do certain things for the public—something for the public good—well, you won't vote for such men. You prefer to listen to the fellows with an ax to grind—and you turn the grindstones for them.

brains and a little study.

The coils of monopoly are tightening around the people, while the politicians are soothing them into the sleep of slavery.

make professions of great plety, like the Greek tyrants for the gods, because they know the common people have been trained in reverence for Deity, and they can best skin them by appealing to their prejudice and superstition.

O! the horror of the slavery of the labor unions! That is what the capitalists tell us. When the workers make the regulations that control their labor they will be slaves! When the capitalists make the conditions it is free Funny, isn't it? I noticed a hive bees not long ago. They were working under their own rules and I suppose they must be slaves: If they were working under rules made by one or some of them, and had to starve when they had not gathered enough honey, I suppose they would be free! Every workingman is a slave who labors under the direction of rules made by another, for the profit of that other. Freemen govern them selves and have no masters but themselves.

The rapid extension of the rural free de livery system shows what fools control at Washington. The results of the system were as well known to students years ago as today, but it took the fellows at Washington several tural industry, employed in the best places years to experiment in the matter before they would undertake the improvement. They were afraid it would not work! Now the same is true of hundreds of other things. When the government establishes the parcel post it will work just like the rural delivery and then the department will take great credit to itself for permitting the people to use their own postal system like the people of Europe have been doing for many years. But what do neonle know about such things who have never years to experiment in the matter before fellows with an ax to grind—and you turn the grindstones for them.

I wonder how Rockefeller and Morgan will feel when they get to Heaven and meet some of the people they have rolphed by extortion on oil, food, railroad manipulation and other "business" methods? It is not likely that the people get it in the neck.

Some people of Europe many times as at present, when every like of work will count for something in the national hive, when parallel roads, bad rolling stock, duplicated passenger and freight depots and elected to congress made such study? Not one oll, food, railroad manipulation and other "business" methods? It is not likely that

If you are a loafer I am not talking to you, f you work with hands and brain, do you have all good things of life that your labor in the social hive entitle you? That is the political question. It is a matter of polities, whether you know it or not. Polities control indus-try. By polities you can organize industry on a basic that will give each worker the full result of his or her labor. The capitalists control politics in order to prevent this being done. If those who are doing useful work received all the results of useful work their pay would be equal to more than \$2,500 a year in wealth. And why should they not have it if they produce it? Why should schemers get anything? Do you believe that workers are not entitled to the best houses, best food and best clothing? If not, why not?

If a man claims my bouse as his own, and, when I deny the claim and repel him, he offers to arbitrate the question, I would be the vertest weak-ling if I were to accept.—W. A. Crofut, capitalist, in American Industries,

If a robber steals a horse, and the owner of

If a robber steals a horse, and the owner of the horse demand its return, the robber would be lost if he did not deny the rightful ownership and refuse to arbitrate. To arbitrate would be to go to prison. That is just what the Crofut argument means. Labor has produced all wealth and is the rightful owner of all wealth. And labor is going to take possession of all wealth, too, at no distant date, The king refused to arbitrate, once upon a time, and the people deposed the king. But they would have deposed him if he had consented to arbitration.

In the olden days when tyranny reigned In the olden days when tyranny reigned on the earth, when people were illiterate and ignorant, when the world was ruled by despots of whose crimes we shudder, it was a crime to speculate in the food of the people, and the penalty in some instances was death and the confiscation of the property of the criminal. confiscation of the property of the criminal. Today the crimes of such speculation are paraded in the boldest type, and people are held up by the criminals and must starve or pay the price, and as many have not the price, the deaths by starvation and freezing are very numerous. The men who speculate in the food and fuel of the people are the worst criminals in the annals of crime. They ought to be hung—but as they are the rulers they hang hung—but as they are the rulers they hang the other people. Those horrible olden robber

"Laboring men can only have more wages by increasing the national product," is a statement of a capitalist writer. That would be true if labor got all it produced, for more than the production cannot be given labor. But labor has produced too much already for what labor has produced too much already for what it gets. If the laboring classes were to produce twice as much they would get no more wages. In fact if they produced twice as much about half of them would be discharged, as the half at work would produce all the capitalists could dispose of. The laboring classes can and must get more wages for what they now produce, by refusing to permit the capitalists to take the amount of profits that they now tate. In fact they can have their wages increased ten times if they will do away with the capitalists entirely. They no more need capitalists than entirely. They no more need capitalists than they need small pox.

Edward III. of England made a law that workmen who asked for increase of wages should be branded with a red hot iron. That did not prevent men striving for more of what they produced. That was tyranny. Today they are not branded with red hot irons—a more cruel and effective method is used—they are blacklisted and refused employment, which are blacklisted and refused employment which means starvation if it can be carried out. Starvation for themselves and for their wives and children. Under Edward III. the king made the laws and the workmen had no voice. NOW THE WORKMEN HAVE VOTES AND CAN HAVE ANY IAW MADE FOR THEMSELVES THAT THEY DESIRE! Isn't it odd SELVES THAT THEY DESIRE! Isn't it odd that they will vote to have the same parties make the law that have made laws for their masters? The capitalists could have no laws to favor them if the working people did not vote the democratic and republican tickets. The stupidity of the working class alone enables the capitalists to control and rob them.

Did it never occur strange to you that no workingmen are ever appointed to cabinet positions or elected to places in the senate or congress? Are all the laboring people fools that they are never considered for such places? In this life, only to receive honor years after he will not have to live in poverty for most or all his life, only to receive honor years after he when I began to study economics. I believe that they are very much like I was—ignorant in a labor are very much like I was—ignorant. of their real relation to labor. I don't think they are all bad men-in fact I believe they are as good as the rest of us—only they are ignorant of the rights of mankind, as I was. Get them to study Socialism and they will become friends of labor instead of feeling that

There was a time when men thought there would be no incentive to be anything if war was aboilshed—that was the only thing that wealth was not so much sought after then as will develop greater genius, greater ability, than has ever private wealth. Things can be done on such gigantic scale when public in-stead of private capital is used that the great works and great fortunes of today will be in-significant indeed to compare with them. Men plow for idlers. Monkeys don't. Men run trains for idlers. Monkeys don't. Men run machines for idlers, Monkeys don't, Men build roads for idlers. Monkeys don't,

shelter them—while they go hungry, ragged and freeze. Monkeys don't.

If men were as wise as monkeys, what a happy world this would be.

When you hear of a new trust and feel the squeeze of the robbers, it kind of makes you mad. But you are "easy." You pay the extortion, say a few cuss words, and then go on and in time forget it. What a howl went up at the extortion of the school book trust some time ago, and the boodling of the school officers in various places, which was exposed. cers in various places which was exposed. But you don't hear any more about this trust now. There are others coming on the scene of action every day, and the older ones are forgotten. The trust builders know this. They don't care a rap for the few swear words of their victims—it don't hurt. They know the fools will soon forget it and look at other trusts as they march along in the procession in front of them. Yes, the people are "dead easy." No king ever had a more stupid set of subjects than the American trusts.

The consumption of tea in the colonies in 1776 was about 3,000,000 pounds a year. King George wanted to levy a tax of six cents a pound to help pay the expense of government. This would have produced about \$180,000 a George wants.

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This would have produced about \$180,000 a year. The population of the colonies was about 3,000,000. Greater New York has a population about what the colonies had in 1776.

The coal trust has levied a tax on them of \$40,000,000 a year profit on coal. That shows the difference between the spirit of freedom then and the slavish degeneration of the people today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York, with ple today. If the people of New York with the aid of the votes of the masses and are running things to suit them. The bankers will have the law enacted if they want rich robbers hanging from the telegraph poles, and the mines would be taken and used for the benefit of mankind instead of to oppress them for the luxury of the rich robbers.

The banks are howling for an "emergency currency." Why the banks? They have all the money of the people deposited with them without interest, and that looks like they ought to be satisfied. If they have loaned the money on watered stocks and bonds and are in a hole, why let them crawl out. The common people are more in need of money than the bankers. They are well fixed. But an emergency currency for the common people lave so little knowledge that they permit the banks to be furnished with money free while they have to go into the august presence of the bankers with hat in hand and implore a losn! What chump they are to be sure. But the bankers will get the emergency currency if any considerable number want it. They will loan it to the chumps at a nice rate of interest. They will loan it to the chumps at a nice rate

In olden times the kings put up the privi-lege of taxing the people to the highest bidder. You think that horrible, don't you? But you You think that horrible, don't you? But you are so blind that you do not see that it is practiced right here and now all the time. The difference is, that in the olden time the money paid went to the king while now it goes to private persons. How? Why, when a corporaton pays millions to some other capitalists for the street car lines in Chicago, for instance, do they not pay it for the privilege the other fellows hold to fax the people? Do you think do they not pay it for the privilege the other fellows hold to tax the people? Do you think they would pay millions just for fun? When men sell land, sell factories, sell railroads, sell banks, or the stocks that represent these things, it is simply and purely a sum paid to the sellers for the privilege of taxing the people who must use these things, directly or indirectly. It is the same old game in a new dress. When the people discover a fraud the directly. It is the same old game in a new dress. When the people discover a fraud, the capitalists change the dressing of it and fool them for another generation.

of the people and refuse to permit them to have unless they agree to serve them on such conditions as the master pleases. No master of wage slaves has the same interest, the same kindly feeling for them, that the chattel master had for his slaves. He became attached to them and was seldom harsh. There is no attachment of the master to the wage slave. They come and go all the time. Chattel slav-ery was not as profitable as wage slavery. There were no millionaires created by chatte slavery. There were no masters with tens of thousands of slaves as there are wage slave masters. Are you as stupid as the chattel, that you cannot see it?

What a great time we will have when we get ocialism established. There will be our work to do, to be sure, but there will need be but a now. Now people think but for the incentive of private wealth all progress would cease, year if we work eight hours. When that done we will have pleasure and an abundance of things to entertain and instruct, so that life one great festival. The public will will be one great festival. The public will have theatres, lecturers, excursion trains, and boats and ships, world's fairs in continuous going, and every one will have the time and means to go and enjoy. Thus will life be one continual joy instead of one continual drudgmillion workers are organized in the agricultural industry, employed in the best places with the best machines under the most able minds! Think of that and compare it and its results with the many individual efforts of the farming business today. And think what it will mean when the railroads and ocean liners are public property, organized with the system and order of the postal system, when goods will have to be handled but once, instead of many times as at present, when every lick of work will count for something in the national provide for them. will be no need of any saving or skimping to provide for them. Say, isn't such a condition worth working for? Or is the present condition so full of joy to you that you can think of nothing higher? I don't like the present dg-eat-dog system. Do you?

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FUNDS FOR POPULIST EDITION.

Names are arriving for the Populist edition on every mail. Those sent by private individ-Men produce shelter for idlers. Monkeys don't, Men produce shelter for idlers. Monkeys don't, Men produce clothing for idlers. Monkeys don't.

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A PEOPLE'S CHURCH.

Ministers are urged to preach Socialism from Ministers are urged to preach Socialism from their pulpits if they can; but in case they are not permitted to do so, write to Rev. Granville Lowther, Trenton, Mo., or to Rev. F. M. Cum-mings of Anthony, Kansas, and an effort will be made to find them employment. Their plan is, in such cases, to situate a man in a large town where he can preach on Sunday to such as desire to hear him and to lecture and such as desire to hear him, and to lecture organize the work in the surrounding towns, distribute literature, etc., during the week. With such a movement we can capture this country for Socialism and the Christ spirit.

THE REASON WHY.

Why don't you call the attention of your readers to the necessity of writing to their representatives in congress to have some kind of currency law passed that would furnish the people a convenient-medium for enclosing in a letter, when they desire to remit, small sums by mail?

Orting, Wash.

JOSEPH PACKARD.

Because the people have no representatives

The Vanderbilt railroad lines draw nearly 21 million dollars a year from the government for pulling mail cars! This was \$235 per mile. This was 2% interest on the entire capital used in building the railroads! In other words the government could borrow the money, build the roads and have the use of them at cost of operation if it continued to pay the bills for hauling the mails. But that would be anarchy.

As far as the Appeal is able to stand it, the Populist edition will be sent out by the tens of thousands, whether you help defray the expenses or not. But it ought to go to half a million of the old line populists. It devolves upon you to send the names and addresses and as much as you can afford to help pay the ex-penses. There are a million populists that should come into our party, and they will if we

Washington City is full of Benedict Arnolds with their pockets full of money to "influence" laws in the interest of this or that trust. The trusts all stand together and the members of congress are bought like so many sheep not always with money, but with some personal interest. It is notorious that the trusts employ the most beautiful courtesans, who with smiles and wine and promises make congressmen and senators forget the people whose gressmen and senators forget the people whose interests they are there to represent. Of course this does not apply to all—for many like Depew, Platt, and such men are the trusts people and do not have to be bribed—they are against the people ever and always. At this season of the year Washington City is little else than a great sporting house where wine, women and bribery rule.

The robber barons we read about in history accumulated property by forcibly taking it away from the working people who produced it. Today they get possession of the transportation, coal and other products and compel the people to pay them a price that leaves the people only enough to live on. This is much the people, while the politicians are soothing them into the sleep of slavery.

Four hundred thousand voters have registered the effect of Socialist agitation. There are two millions almost converted who will be with us in the next election if we keep up the firing.

Did it never occur strange to you that no workingmen are ever appointed to cabinet.

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What a difference it makes about the view point from which we see a thing. Tweive years ago I was speculating in real estate in Colorrado. I was making (moral theft) hundreds of work for the pleasure or provide that need. All the minds that have a turn for such work will at once set them were trying to hold me up when they wanted were appointed to cabinet.

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The people are trained like so many animals by their masters to spurn the idea of "dividing up," while at the same time their masters are dividing up all the people make among themselves. Of the wealth produced by the people each year the masters divide it among themselves and leave the people only about enough to keep them in working condition. They are practicing the "dividing up" principle on the people all the time, and the people are so stupid that they don't see it. The Socialist proposes to abolish such dividing up, and making it impossible for the idlers to get any of the wealth the workers produce. It is amusing to hear a poor devil who has not a decent suit of clothes to his back, who has been dividing up with capitalists all his life, opposing Socialism because he don't want to when he has nothing to divide a rags. But there are lots of them. up but his

The president's salary is to be increased. At least I notice articles appearing in the daily press hinting that the president's salary is very small. Of course \$50,000 a year would be a small sum to pay for a president, if he reala small sum to pay for a president, it as then by were a president for the people, but when the government is run for the trusts I don't see why the people should be taxed to pay any see why the people should be taxed to pay any of all salary at all. Why not let the bankers and The the railroads pay the president, cabinet and congress? The common people are never thought of and no legislation is ever hinted at for them. But the salary will likely be increased, and the people will be taxed on what they eat, drink and wear to furnish the funds. The great corporations never pay a cent of taxes to support the national coverages. taxes to support the national government, as I have repeatedly shown. Property is not taxed for national revenue—men are taxed according to their eating and drinking. Seef Increase the salary.

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Present Political Situation ø and the Socialist Party.

All signs indicate that the capitalist parties will make the coming municipal, state and national elections the greatest labor vote-catching contest in the history of

Of course, capitalist polities are always simply a hunt after labor votes in the in-

But never before have the capitalist parties shown so plainly as now an eagerness to cater to the demands of labor.

FORMERLY THEY MANUFACTURED THE ISSUES FOR LABOR. NOW, LABOR IS MAKING THE ISSUES FOR THEM.

How do they meet these issues?

. They play the stale old Bismarekian game of stealing such planks out of the Socialist platform as do not endanger the capitalist system.

William R. Hearst is playing to secure the democratic nomination for President by the help of his three radical papers in San Francisco, Chicago and New York. His bait to the labor organizations is a national ownership platform. HE THEREBY HOPES TO CATCH ALL THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN SOCIALISM, BUT DO NOT KNOW ITS FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES.

This platform fights the battle of the little capitalists against the trusts. Its realization would mean the transfer of private monopolies into the hands of democratic politicians, and the transformation of private capitalism into state capitalism. The state, under the control of democratic politicians, would then exploit the working class. Instead of receiving the full product of its toil, labor would then produce profits for the state. The surplus in the national treasury would then be used for the amelioration of the conditions of the middle class property owners, by the reduction of taxation, the lavish dispensation of patronage to political favorites, and the enrichment of the democratic heclers.

William J. Bryan is sitting on the fence and watching the chances of the Hearst game. While Hearst is laboring on the sentiments of the city wage workers, Bryan is busy pulling the wires in the old People's party machinery. If Hearst should succeed in securing the democratic nomination for president, Bryan would endeavor to steer the populist machine into the democratic camp.

The republican party is trying to meet the Hearst danger by a sham fight on the trusts. Strennous Roosevelt, in the role of the "People's champion," is pitting himself against the other alleged "People's champion," Hearst.

The issue between these two is trust legislation versus trust nationalization. Trust legislation is a delusion and a snare. Trust nationalization on a capitalist basis is a

NEITHER WILL GIVE LABOR ITS DUE. ONLY SOCIALISM CAN DO

In the municipal and state elections, public ownership of monopolics and direct legislation will be the rallying cry for independent voters' parties and "union labor partice." In San Francisco, the Schmitz party is luring the unwary into the Hearst trap. In Chicago, Clarence S. Darrow, is the decoy in the same game. In New York, Hearst's congressional district, the star actor in this variety show will hold the center of the stage himself.

Who are the people that would applaud this political performance?

Not the trade unions. For the American Labor Union has declared in favor of Socialism, and the American Federation of Labor will soon do the same. A few local "union labor parties" wifl not change the general attitude of organized labor in the national campaign.

Not the small farmers. For the populist leaders that know the sentiment of the rank and file, are joining the Socialist party.

Not the proletariat of the South. For they are dissatisfied with both old parties, and are only waiting for the Socialist party to assist them to organize the South for Socialism. Florida, Alabama and Texas already have Socialist state organizations. Local workers in Georgia, Mississippi, New Mexico and the Carolinas are clamoring for Socialist organizers, and the national secretary of the Socialist party is preparing

THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS RIPE FOR THE RISE OF A STRONG AND UNITED SOCIALIST PARTY. WITH TWO YEARS OF ACTIVE WORK BE-FORE IT, SUCH A PARTY CAN PREVENT THE CONSUMMATION OF THE DEMOCRATIC SCHEME WHICH WOULD TRICK THE WHOLE AMERICAN WORKING PEOPLE, JUST AS THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TRICKED THE POPULIST PARTY. THE SOCIALIST PARTY CAN TURN THE TABLES ON THE DEMOCRATIC SCHEMERS AND STEAL THEIR THUNDER, INSTEAD OF PERMITTING THEM TO STEAL THE SOCIALIST THUNDER. IT CAN TURN THE RADICAL SENTIMENT STIRRED UP BY THE HEARST PAPERS INTO CLEAR AND UNCOMPROMISING SOCIALISM.

The success of a self-assertive Socialist party is assured. Wherever the Socialist party has risen to the requirements of the hour and relied on its powerful platform, it has been rewarded with a large and cathusiastic vote. Only where it has shown a lack of self-reliance and has yielded to the pressure of the Hearst element, has it suffered any set-back.

There is no doubt that an indersement of any independent or local "union labor party" at this time is a tactical mistake. It is not alone a sign of weakness, but also a playing into the hands of the Hearst democracy. It permits Hearst to make the issues for the Socialists. BUT THE SOCIALIST PARTY CAN HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE AN ISSUE FOR HEARST, WHICH HE DARE NOT ACCEPT. THIS WILL BRING THE RADICAL ELEMENT INTO THE RANKS OF THE SOCIAL-ISTS AND DEFEAT THE DEMOCRATIC SCHEME.

The conservative democrats would then gain control of the democratic convention, and both the democratic and republican parties would be forced to meet the issue of the Socialist party: SOCIALISM vs. CAPITALISM,

THE APPEAL STANDS FOR A STRONG AND SELF-ASSERTIVE SOCIAL-

COMRADES, CLOSE YOUR RANKS! WORKING PEOPLE OF THE UNIT-ED STATES, UNITE AGAINST CAPITALISM! YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE BUT YOUR CHAINS! YOU HAVE A WORLD TO GAIN!

Direct Legislation : 🗷 In Illinois 🥨

The referendum league of Illinois filed a petition last winter with the election commissioners containing 109,418 signatures, and enabling the people to express their will at the ballot box on the questions of "municipal ownership," and "direct nomination of canlidates." Last summer the same league cir-ulated a petition for the "referendum" and popular election of senators," which received 146.134 signatures.

The little ballot, directing the next legislature to enact laws enabling the people to control legislation and veto corrupt laws received 428,932 votes at the last November election.

This is a majority of 341,227 votes.

Yet after such an enormous majority has thus clearly expressed their will at the ballot box, the Referendum League is still forced to appeal to the voters for funds to establish headquarters at the capital and watch the representatives, in order to see that they don't neglect their duty toward the people.

"The people's case must be properly pre-cented to their representatives," says a recent circular of the League, "so that there will be no ignorance to excuse them for betraying or misrepresenting their people. Books, pam-phlets, statistics, etc., must be provided. Rail-way fares and hotel bills must be paid. Your ommon sense tells you that this requires money and that we cannot get any from the enemies of the referendum. Unscrupulous financiers and their politicians are plotting and scheming to sidetrack the Referendum and pay vast sums to retain control of legislation, but the voters can have that power if each one will help a little."

Pause and consider the meaning of these

Here is a body of thoroughly honest and public-spirited citizens, desirous of abolishing corruption in politics by placing the control of the legislators into the hands of the people. No one who is not an accomplice of boodling party machines can fail to wish them success And yet, pathetic as the appeal of the League is, is not there something ludicrous about the

An enormous majority of the voters of Illinois have clearly and unmistakably expressed their wish for honest government, municipal ownership, and direct legislation at the polis The League has spent time, energy, and money in obtaining this result. But now, after this public verdict has been rendered, the League is again forced to spend some more time, energy and money, to see that a small body of so-called public servants carries out the popular verdict. In spite of the overwhelming majority vote, a handful of boodlers must still be watched and even "petitioned" to kindly comply with the will of the people.

How did these boodlers get int ooffice? By the votes of that same majority that voted for

honest government and all the other popular

And yet the League appeals to the common sense of these voters. Is it common sense to first elect boodle politicians on the republican, democratic, or independent capitalist ticket, and then spend money, time and energy, in books, pamphlets, statistics, lobbies, railway fares, and hotel bills to watch these same politicians?

Does not common sense demand to elect men that will carry out the will of the people with-out being watched?

Is it not more sensible, practical and eco-nomical to teach the people how to make the

election of honest men possible?
The Referendum League regards it as its special mission to purify capitalist politics, and place the control of these politics into the hands of the people, regardless of class lines. The Socialists wish them all possible success in this undertaking. But they know from long experience that CAPITALIST LEGISLA-TION WILL NOT BE ANY MORE ADVANTAGEOUS FOR THE WORKING CLASS,
EVEN UNDER THE INITIATIVE REFERENDUM, AND IMPERATIVE MANDATE.
For capitalist politicians are not the representatives of the people. They are simply the representatives of the capitalist class, and his fact would not be changed as long as the people are willing to vote for the perpetuation of the capitalist system. Just as they now elect boodle politicians and petition them for honest government, all in one breath, so would they continue to elect capitalist politicians, though perhaps honest ones, under direct leg-station, SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY ARE UN-DER THE MISTAKEN IMPRESSION THAT CAPITALIST POLITICIANS ARE THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE PEOPLE.

What is needed above all, then, is not so much the direct participation of the working

class in government, as an understanding how to use their power in the interest of their own class. This information the Referendum League is either unwilling or unable to supply. Direct legislation to them is only a means of ousting a corrupt capitalist government and installing in its place an honest capitalist goverament. But the most honest capitalist gov ernment is still a government in the interest of the capitalist class, and IN THE INSTI-TUTION OF SUCH A GOVERNMENT, THE SOCIALISTS ARE NOT INTERESTED. In order to make direct legislation really

effective, the working class must have Socialist minds. The Socialist Party and the Socialist press, therefore, make it their special mission in present society TO MAKE SOCIALIST MINING. CIALIST MINDS

Moreover, they have no need of any agitation for direct legislation. For they have made direct legislation a fact in their party affairs. Candidates of the Socialist Party are

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How a Soldier Sees It.

Editor Appeal to Reason.
Having been a soldier in the Thillippine Islands for over two years, and also a policinan in a more time and others by army officers. Only and first two years, and also a policinan in a familia, I wish to say that the Philippine Islands are roun in just such a certupt way as the United are roun in just such a certupt way as the United are roun in just such a certupt way as the United States, or even worse. The army officers are the states, or even worse. The army officers are the to them. If he does not, he is deported or locked up. They are making everything ready for the big.

Capitalist burs. The tax payers of the United States and of the Philippines are robbed of hundreds of thousands of dollars by army officers. Only included those who must use your products? Can I not take as much of your crop as I like or prevent your form disposing of it? You see the transportation and exchange have as the them. If he does not, he is deported or locked up. They are making everything ready for the big.

Chicago, Il..

Information For Eager # Minds

Editor Appeal to Reason.

different countries essentially the same The platforms of the Socialist parties of all countries are more or less modeled after the platform of the German Social Democratic

party. This is naturally so, because the national Socialist parties form simply subdivis-ions of the united International Socialist Party which has its headquarters in the International Socialist Bureau at Brussels, Bel-

Editor Appeal to Reason.
In what country do you think the Socialist party will win first?—A Reader.
In order to make a reply to this question intelligible, it is necessary to keep in mind the economic development of the different coun-tries, their political institutions, and the preseat strength of the Socialist Party of each country. The economic development is farthest advanced in the United States. In numerical strength, the Socialist Party of Ger-many marches at the head. But as the political institutions of the United States are more favorable to the growth of our party t shall outstrip the German comrades in a few years. The economic conditions are the most potent factor in the march toward Socialism, and with our political advantages we are, therefore, reasonably certain of being the first to carry our cause to victory, with either Bel-gium or Germany a close second.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

What do you think will happen in Germany if the Socialists carry the elections? Surely, the German emperor will not give up without a war.—A Reader.

The great standing army of Germany and the survival of a feudal nobility are today the greatest danger to a peaceful solution of the social problem in Germany. The feudal barons and the imperial figurehead will, of course, oppose the legal victory of the Socialists, a long as they can use the army to fight their battles. They have already proceeded to practically exclude the minority in the reichstag rom active representation by a change in th order of business. The emperor, alarmed at the increase of the Socialist strength, is con templating to disfranchise the majority of the working men. And the next reichstag's elec-tion in June 1903 will probably be the turning point in the history of the empire and of Ger-

man Socialism.

But the case is by no means hopeless from the point of view of the Socialists. In the first place, there is no doubt that the army will not fire indiscriminately on the people. In the second place, the Socialists have been serving in the army themselves and are, therefore, as well drilled as the rest of them There are about three million Socialists in the empire today, and they represent an organization of such discipline and organization as has never been known in the history of the world. The revolution of such an organization would be different from any revolution ever at-

There are about two and a half million men available for field service in Germany. But that includes at least one-half reserves and landwehr, and the majority of these are So-cialists. If the emperor would arm these, he would arm the revolution which he is trying to stifle. If he does not arm them, he has not men enough to fight the organized Socialist Party.

course, the Socialists lack arms. But all revolutions have shown that it is always possible to secure arms. Where there is a will, there is a way. It would not be so very difficult for the Socialists, to overpower the smaller garrisons, and then concentrate their forces in the industrial forces in the industrial centers, for the purpose of cutting the emperor's army off from all sup-

The other countries would not be able to materially assist the German capitalists in this emergency, for there are strong Socialist parties in all of those countries, and the other capitalists would have their hands full. The Socialists can await the coming of these events with much more equatimity than the emperor.

Biltor Appeal to Reason.

I wish to ask a few questions for the purpose of learning the position of the Socialists on the race question. I am is of African descent and have been a reader of the Appeal for fiftern months. I think the principles it advocates are 0. K., You are well aware of the adverse circumstances under which the negroes labor throughout the South. I wish to know what relation your party assumes toward them, first as laborers, in giving them an opportunity to work and itse on a legal footing with others; second, in a social way, third, in a legal way?

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If the many others of my people, are married what we think best for us in a political sense, t stand ready to accept any improvement that y come to us through education.

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Bristow, I. T.

The relation of the Socialist Party to the to the colored race is clearly shown by the following resolution, adopted at the Indianapolis con vention. July 29-31, 1960:

The negroes of the United States, because of their long training in slavery and but recent councipation therefrom, occupy a peculiar position in the working class and in society at large:

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To all these questions the Appeal will endeavor to give a satisfactory answer in a propagation weak inside nerves. My Restorative tive-brings beek that power which alone operative-brings beek that power which alone operative or stablish the thing reactive or such that the power which alone oper

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serve this peculiar condition, and to foster and ncrease color prejudice and race hatred between the white worker and the black, so as o make their social and economic interests to appear to be separate and antagonistic, in or der that the workers of both races may thereby, be more easily and completely exploited;

"Whereas, Both the old political parties and educational and religious institutions alike betray the negro in his present helpless struggle against disfranchisement and violence, in order to receive the economic favors of the

capitalist class; be it therefore "Resolved, That we, the Socialists of America, in national convention assembled, do here-by assure our negro fellow worker of our sympathy with him in his subjection to lawlessness and oppression, and also assure him of the fellowship of the workers who suffer from the lawlessness and exploitation of capital in every nation or tribe of the world. Be it fur-

"Resolved, That we declare to the negro-worker the identity of his interests and struggles of the workers of all lands, without regard to the race or color or sectional lines; that the causes which have made him the victim of so-cial and political inequality are the effects of the long exploitation of his labor power; that all social and race prejudices spring from the ancient economic causes which still endure, to the misery of the whole human family, that the only line of division which exists in fact is that between the producers and the owners of the world—between capitalism and labor. And be it further And be it further

"Resolved, That we, the American Socialist Party, invite the negro to membership and fellowship with us in the world movement for economic emancipation by which equal liberty and opportunity shall be secured to every man and fraternity become the order of the world."

HENRY'S AWFUL CRIME.

Henry Otz is in trouble. He had been denied the right to work because he could find no capitalist to make a profit from his labor, or use it to this advanta

Cold weather struck Henry who had absoment that lutely not one cent. His wife saw how destheir children in agony for want of food and fuel. One morning Henry left the house, but not before his faithful partner had drawn from him that he knew where he could earn enough to buy food and coal. He went to the Chicago & Northwestern tracks and filled a sack with coal and was arrested.

"I would be willing to go to the penitentiary if i knew my wife and family would be cared for," said Henry with tears in his eyes."

Justice Hamburger took up a collection in the room in order to help him and his family,

Say, wage slaves, it's not you today. You are away above Hen y Otz. You have a job. So did he a little while ago. What is Henry's So did he a fittle wrise ago. What is ficulty at to today may be yours or mine to norrow. Let's do away with the condition white makes it possible. Let's have the right to work and the full value of our product.—Chicago So-

deavor to give a satisfactory answer in a propaganda pamphlet, on which Comrade Ernest Unformann is now at work, and which will be ready for distribution about the middle of January. This will be a sixteen page pamphiet, and will cover the question of raunicipal ownership as fully as possible white does

pal ownership as fully as possible, giving due consideration to all phases in an impartial and objective manner. Five cents per copy, \$1.00 Mild cases, and chronic, are often sured by one or two botten

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Congress is in session. It consists of three houses, the SENATE, the HOUSE and the LOBBY . The first is elected by the CAPITALISTS, the second by the PEOPLE, and the third by the CAPITAL-ISTS. It follows, therefore, that the people elect one body and the capitalists two. In reality, the people have no representatives at all, for while most of the statesmen go away from home with the idea that they are to represent their constituents, a week causes this feeling to disappear, for their constituency have not the faintest idea what they want. Obviously, a constituency that has no program is apt to elect unner that has no program is apt to elect their causes of live stock to the packers have been put down. No packers have been called to account under it, and none of them seem to have any fear of it.

Yet the present methods of buying live stock to the packers have been put down. No packers have been put down. a representative who has no program. It seems natural, therefore, that from the president to congressmen, you can get no clear idea how to handle the present sit-

also convened, and secured the best rooms year ago. in the Capitol hotels for the winter. The Washington correspondent of the Chicago Cept so little for their stock while the consumer at the same time must pay so much for Tribune, writes as follows:

There is a rumor to the effect that the trust see it. lobby proposes to divert congress if it can, entirely away from the Sherman law and in the direction of a constitutional amendment. The congressional leaders, however, are not

As stated in a previous issue, the antics went still lower, and the packers again purchased."

This must be interesting reading to the of the government are positively ludicrous. This must be interesting reading to the What to do with the trust and not burt farmer. the capitalist class, that is the question. The buyer. LAWS CANNOT BE ENFORCED AGAINST THE CAPITALIST CLASS, "we are not buying today." He does the same thing tomorrow. Meanwhile, every train load of live stock is filling up the yards. IS REALLY THE GOVERNMENT. Nothing has been done, and nothing will be it and sell it quick.

The buyer professes indifference and the supply in the hands of anxious waiting sellers accumulates. An appearance of glut en-

THE PACKING TRUST.

The following is taken from the Social-

country, instituted proceedings against an al-leged combination of packers. Instead of leged combination of packers. Instead of prosecuting them criminally, under the federal anti-trust law, proceedings in equity were taken, and the packers were enjoined by the United States court at Chicago from working together, either to depress the prices of live stock or raise prices to consumers. That injunction is still outstanding. Its practical effects have been absolutely nothing. The prices of meat to consumers have been kept up, and the prices of live stock to the packers have been put down. No packers have been

account and brazenty.

For this contempt of court the packers may at any time be punished in the discretion of the judge. Why are they not so punished?

They are not punished because capitalism is

greater than government.

The retail prices of dressed meat over the country remain substantially at the high level plain. THEY DO NOT KNOW HOW TO
HANDLE THE SITUATION

HANDLE THE SITUATION.

With the lobby, however, it is different.

THESE GENTLEMEN KNOW WHAT

THEY WANT AND HOW TO GET IT.

When congress convened, the third house at Chicago lately have exceeded those of a

One has only to read the daily papers to

None of the United States judges has, how ever, so far been able to make the discovery disclosed in a paragraph of the Chicago Inter-

the direction of a constitutional amendment. The congressional leaders, however, are not inclined to accept any such program, because they are convinced that the people understand the situation, and know that a constitutional amendment cannot possibly be secured, if at all, inside of two or three years.

Now this is funny. THE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION. If they did not, are we to infer that congress would not be troubled at all, but would one the trouble at all, but would one the trouble at all, but would one the trouble at all, but would be troubled at all, but would the trouble at the parkers have worked in a paragraph of the Chicago these heavy receipts. Taking advantage of these heavy receipts. The advantage of these heavy receipts. The pack as follows:

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" quietly acquiesce with the demands of the third house? The houses ran at their utmost capacity for a couple of days, and then there was another simultaneous unwillingness to purchase. Prices

There seems to be practically only sie

The buyer sits around and smokes and says,

The following is taken from the Socialist Spirit, of Chicago:

Last summer the United States government, acting on complaints coming up all over the country, instituted proceedings against an algorithm of the best cattle from \$9 per hundred pounds to \$7, or some 22% Hogs have fallen from \$8 to \$6, or 25%. But the demands of the latter more care. upon the retailer and of the latter upon con-

upon the retailer and of the latter upon con-sumers remain unchanged.

How are the "anti-trusters" going to cope with a game like this? Are they going to at-tempt to designate the days on which the packers shall buy and the prices they shall

There is something so disgustingly charla-tan about the entire official aggregation at Washington as to make any man of sense or judgment soul-weary and sick at heart.

How do you like this, you farmers with cattle in the feed yards, and who have already fed vast quantities of valuable coru? How do you like to be victimized? You are getting paid now for your howls for prosperity, and your ballots for capitalism. Take a dose of the medicine now, that your stomach may be purged of its fulness, and when you have gotten into a good frame

Under Socialism, the people would own the stock-yards, the transportation lines and the packing houses. Cattle and hogs would be turned into dressed beef, barreled pork, and the various forms of preparing it for consumption, at the net labor cost of operating the railroads and the packing houses, plus the cost of wear and tear on machinery possible loss of product, etc. machinery, possible loss of product, etc. sifree for the asking and they want every man Whatever was paid out would go to labor o have it. for doing the actual work. Instead of a half dozen millionaires bleeding the farmers at one end of the line and the consumers at the other, there would be the general agent of the people-the government-administered by direct legislation, which would take no profit from anybody. Congressmen, legislators and courts would not be bribed by robber barons, who are simply parasites on the workers, and who are utterly useless to society. The Armours, the Swifts and the Cudahys could not buy foreign counts for their daughters, they could not bankrupt the stock feeders and they could not starve the poor with high priced food. I voted for Socialism,- Mr. Farmer. You voted, I fear, for the beef trust and the capitalist system. The election is over, now, and you can think, I trust, without prejudice. I want to ask you a simple question. Which of us do you think, really voted for what we actually

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of mind, I want to tell you why, I voted the Socialist ticket, and never howled once for prosperity.

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four score years will permit."

Boys, can't you take inspiration
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Socialism in Japan.

The first Socialist city councillor was re-turned from the Azabu district in the recent election for the Tokyo city council. The name of the successful candidate is Jitsunen Saji mitarian preacher and president of the Uni-arian Association in Japan. Mr. Saji is also member to the Azabu district council. He s the son of a Buddhist priest, and was him-elf a priest of that sect at one time. This news reaches the Appeal through the

abour World, a Japanese weekly of 42 pages, which carries two pages of English matter.

Now, Who's Licked?

Comrade Gaston, Cripple Creek, Colo., writes:
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Having rend of the success of some of your readers reliing Dish-washers. I have tried the work with wonderd success, here not made less than 19.09 any far for the last six months. The Moon of City Dish-washer gives good satisfaction, and every family wasts one. A last can wash and dry the dishess without moneying the glores and to an de the work is two minutes, gut my saunds amenine from the Moond City Dish-Washer Co. with share and the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share and the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day. The Mound City Dish-Washer Co. with share the first day.

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APPEAL TO REAS

Destitution Among Helpless Babes. Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Children Is in Sore Straits at This Time of

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partyite.

Frightful Cases of Squalor and

Year to Care for All Cases Chat Winter Brings. Children Gather Food From Garbage Barrels in the Streets.

impoverished children and infants has already imposed a full share of misery this winter, and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has been called upon to uncessingly extend its relief. Many strange stories of neglect, sometimes accompanied by semistarvation, have been brought to the attention of the officials of the society, and not infrequently little waifs swathed in rags have been dragged out bodily from places unfit to be called homes and taken to the society's head-marters at No. 62 Delaware avenue.

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Digging into garbage barrels to get enough food to keep them alive is the latest habit of some of the poor children which the society has been called upon to relieve. Complaints have frequently been made to Byron A. Churchill, the superintendent, that some children down in the lower part of the city have been observed eating what they could dig cut of the refuse in the alieys. It has been said that even on Christmas day the children did not fall to make their daily inspections of the garbage barrels. That such conditions could prevail among the children of the poor in Buffalo would seem jacredible to most people, but the conditions which the garbage-diggings suggest is typical of many other canea.

When you have digested the foregoing, look on another picture. ROCKEFELLER DRAWS A QUARTERLY DIVIDEND IN OIL STOCK PROFIT OF FOUR MILL-ION DOLLARS. He then proceeds to put OF THE HEARTLESS BOND AND up the price of coal oil three and one-half STOCKHOLDERS OF THE RAIL- FULL PRODUCT OF HIS LABOR, AND cents per gallon. HOW MANY CHIL- ROADS? DREN DOES ROCKEFELLER FREEZE BY WITHHOLDING OIL THAT COST

are bound to follow.

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Morgan computes his carnings for the THE POOR STARVE! year, and they amount to FORTY-TWO
MILLIONS. HOW MANY PEOPLE
PEPISH FROM COLD, BECAUSE MORGAN AND HIS ROBBER BARONS OWN
THE COAL AND THE RAILROADS THINGS? If so, Lonly wish it were possible. THE COAL AND THE RAILROADS THINGS? If so, I only wish it were possi-THAT DO THE HAULING?

THE STEEL TRUST BALANCES ITS BOOKS, and divides MILLIONS in profits wrung from the toil of men who swelter in the heat of a blistering forge. CARNEGIE WILL BUILD MORE LIBRARIES, while BABIES STARVE and FREEZE.

The railroads estimate production, and find that the farmers raised a bigger crop of cereals last year. THE RAILROAD BARONS THEN PUT UP THE RATES AND THUS MAKE THE PRICE OF FOODSTUFFS HIGHER. HOW MANY DEATHS CAN BE LAID AT THE DOOR

The meat combine forces down the price PLY HIS OWN TABLE.

AND KEEP UP THE PRICE OF MEAT. THE RICH BANQUET DOGS, WHILE

ble to visit the punishment of capitalism on YOU, instead of these impeent, starsing babies, for the responsibility for the stary-

I VOTED FOR SOCIALISM. THE dism. BLOOD OF THE HELPLESS AND IN-NOCENT IS NOT ON MY HANDS. UN-DER SOCIALISM THERE WOULD BE NO STARVING BABIES; NO MILLION DIVIDENDS TO THE IDLE RICH, EVERY WORKER WOULD GET THE COULD BUY HIS OWN BOOKS, DEC-ORATE HIS OWN WALLS AND SUP-

You never can tell what a distribution of What cheaper ammunition can you get than Never get discouraged. One man converted the Appeal will do. If you could see the let- the Appeal four weeks to your neighbors for to Socialism is lost to the capitalist parties ters that come to this office from men who get 2 cents per name. Don't stop with a few names, forever. If you are going to be a Socialist at a chance copy of the paper, avowing their con-version to Socialism, you would never let up is getting out some hot shots these days, but your efforts. Keep pecking away. Results it loses its force unless you aim at some old

Morgan has made a new merger or consoli-dation in eastern railroads.

APPEAL & ARMY.

The contrades of Arkahsas are preparing to ef-ect a state organization. THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, nt. de Canfield of New York, sends \$5 for the subscription postal cards, WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,

what are you doing for the cause? If not in nc. get there, and do your duty. THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

sin if. Comrade Ramage, Eutte, Mont., sends \$5 and an reer for twenty-Appent postal cards. TIED WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women. it.

A Augrehists of Wealth are very much opposed as Socialists of Commonwealth.

B. WOMEN'S LEGION — Socialist women.

Gu it. Comrade Richard Long, Cainesville, Okla., says: I am with you for 75 at an subscribers." THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women. octalism expects every man within the ranks do his duty-and every man will do that duty

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, million readers and subscribers to the Apat means Socialism in our time. 199 journalism in our time?
THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, role Policy Sandesky, Ohio, has on his war He sends in a string of scalps, and with a

He sends in a string of scalps, and with a hoop is off after more, WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, inten, Pa., readers are invited to join the So-thranch in that city. Meetings are held at the symmetric and Filver street. 12 WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

cat effort should be made to get the farm-reading. Give them the "American Farmer," ritor-10 Gendes poort mid for 11. WOMEN'S LUGION - Socielist, women, Agricultural College, Michiran, will have a de-hete shortly on the government ownership and management of the authracite coal mines. THE WOMEN'S LEGGON - Socialist women.

rade Knudson, Great Falls, Mont, sends in divisiting of scalps, and says: "It is work (i), and i bave a good outlook to get more," WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women. it.

Montana comrades are advancing their line
line in boys, and let the

of battle with a roch. Brace up, boys, and let game sort of fighting take place all along THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, h. It. lie labor ticket at Grants Pass, Orc., was elect-in the December city election. Y. F. Esker is new mayor, and is a member of the Socialist

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women ditor of one of the greatest populist papers. South made the heart of the Army editor by sending a personal pledge to swell the

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, Army man is centering his whole attention on the work of recruiting. Come in out of on the work of draft.

HE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

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mrade Robinson, Lutcher, La., snys; "I send
ten names. It is easy to get the people to
scribe after they see the paper. I will send
e shortly." WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,

join it.

Many a little tot, with tears in its eyes, wondered
why it was not visited by Santa Claus last week.
When Socialism comes, Santa Claus will be equally
kind to all children.

THE WOMEN'S LICTION—Socialist women,
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be old parties are watching to see if we have
nied on more than the Appeal Army will do
old parties have not counted on the joy there
n Socialist enthusiasm.

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in it.

Comrade Alexander, of San Antonio, Tex., writes:

We have put out a full city ticket for the election to be held in Pebruary, and we are greatly
accuraged with the outjeck.

THIS WOMISN'S LIGION—Socialist women.

join R. Comrade Day, Halleyville, I. T., is rushing in big, fat clubs to the Appeal, and he cays the people are will pleased with the paper, and that he expects to get many more as subscribers.

THE WOMEN'S LIXHON—Socialist women, televity.

n it.

comrade Blevins, Gorman, Texas, says: "We are
tiling a good many baptized into the principles of
claiks here, and I hope we'll all march under
same fag and have a big jubile to 1984."

FEE WOMEN'S LEGION — Socialist women,
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ota it.

Say, Corlinth, Hattiesburg, Gulfport, McComb
Riy and some other Mississippl towns! How is it?

fayen't heard from you or some time. Aren't leting the steam pressure run down, are you?

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,
sin it.

The women are beginning to Join the volunteer army. Comrade Amanda Hamberger, of Indiana, lives in the country, and has made up her fund to the tentry. THE WOMEN'S LIEGION—Socialist women, Join it.

b. ngain! Writes Comrade Workman, Laomi, "I found this fragment of your paper on the ad track. I am interested in it, and so are of my friends. I enclose a yearly subscrip-

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women. during Flowers, Florence, Miss., writes: 'So-dism is spreading rapidly here. Six months ago was alone, but now I have lots of company. I not to wend in a number of clubs for the Ap-

THE WOOLDN'S LEGION - Socialist women. Comrade Juckson, Baltimore, Md., sends in wenty subsect tions and says he has a lot more

s subsect tions and says he has a lot more ht. He is on his muccle now, and as quick crooks his arm the man he is after suras he crosses the with renders. TISE, WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,

join it.
Courande B. Nicholson, Wingepeg, Man., Enys.
"Put me down for the twelve months' campaign.
T am mining to make every effort to head the list.
Bockallam is growing in our city. The people are for H. WOMEN'S LEMON - Socialist women,

readly for it.

Tike WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, join it.

When THE WOMEN'S LEGION is fully organized another great imputs will be given to the forward mee ment. Let us hear from the sisters who are willing to go into the organization, as rapidly as possible.

Their WEALEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

The Women's Lewion Socialist women, join it.
Commide Fehr, I'le Lake, Wash, writes: "Pamphetets, papers, button, etc., at hand, and going of the papers, button, etc., at hand, and going of the papers, button, etc., at hand, and poing of the new nothing but Secialism. I send you a club of subscribers, More buter.

The Women's Harris Larion — Socialist women, join it.
Comrade Coleman, oweneville, Ind., sends in a club and says that the farmers in that portion of Indiana are bectaning to think, and that he will not be sure it so to see a lendshift in the Socialist party in these county two years hence.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women, join.

conside Lyng, Rapid City, S. D.: "I have been a bard headed appulist, but have since discovered that I was been a Secalist. We must love God above all things, and our neighbors as ourselves, at the go forward and do the best we can."

THE WOMEN S LEGION - Socialist women,

Let every reader of the Appeal get one new sub-neriber next week. Cet more if you want to, but get ONE anglew. Bout fall, for we have our heart set on that CNE, and will look for it. Cer-tainly ANYHODY can get ONE toward the MILL-ION.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

Before that panie gets here that is on the way, hand your neighbors "Panies, Cause and Cure," by Gordon, then when the hard times have arrived they will know how and why they have come, and what they must do to cure them. \$1 per 100 coptes, unserptid.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women

Oemrade Klamreth, the wandering Socialist wonder, still continues to hombard the Appeal office
with subscriptions. Clubs of forty, fifty and seveary-five are his common deliveries, raid he never
seems to tire of the great work that he is devoting his life to.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,
join it.

Volunteers are wanted in the greatest war that has ever been declared, and the only war that was over instituted for the propie instead of for a few solfills rulers. Come, come, compades, sign and ruch in that piedge and let us show the enemy that we are in the fight in carrest.

Comrade McPharson, of Cleveland, suggests that the Appeal publish the names of comrades who are

willing to correspond with each other on topics re-lating to Socialist discussion. The Appeal is will-ing, if the list don't grow so large as to monopo-lize space. Send in your names. ze space. Send in your names. THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women

THE WOMEN'S LEGION Social of the Commander Stevenson. East Hartford, Conn., orders fifty Appeals per week, which he will have a newsboy sell at a penny each from door to door. This is a good plan-it keeps the subject of Socialism before the people, even those that do not buy the paper. It ought to be tried in every city of 5,600 or over

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, sin it.

Commade Cragg, Giltedge, Mont, sends in a club
f forty-two subscribers, and says they have startl in to make a Socialist county out there. If
the Montana commades keep on, they will not only
sake a Socialist county, but they will have a Soalist state. There are no files on the Montana
pureadas. THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,

idn it.

The steam pressure is rising in the Appeal office all the time, although it has always been good and strong. We feel the increase of a mighty enthrsissin, and we sense this feeling is spreading throughout the land. Let it climb-the Socialist holler is guaranteed to stand any pressure that may be put upon it.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, join it.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, foin it.

Ah, those Southern comtudes, how they are stirring up the dey bones! Loys, we are proud of you-Keatheky, Tennessee, Aisbama, Florida, Mississippl, Louisiana, Texas, and others. No wonder the capitalists' eyes are hanging out on their oily cheeks. No longer any place where they may go that the agitating Socialist is not there also.

TISIS WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, join it.

At Newcastle, Pa., on the 29th, 29th and 31st of the present menth there will be a grand debate between the Socialists and the problem in the socialists and the socialists and the socialists and the problem in the socialists and the so

he present menth there will be a grand debate be-ween the Socialists and the prohibitionists, repre-ented by Father McGrady on the one side and V. P. Fergusen, of Chicago, on the other The omrades are expending for a big time, and im-nense crowds are expected to great the speakers. THE WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women.

ade Thompson, Goodall, Fla., writes: "We a local here just month with five members, we have twelve and more coming. Rev. preached us a Socialist sermon on the 7th other on the 2ts of December. Some of our have agreed to give members of our ints on their purchases. We are wak THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women,

ole it.

The LITTIE GIANT combination: Richardson's Thiroduction to Socialism, "A Little Scatimental Socialism," and "Christ, Properly and Mon."—weaty cents buys all three, and with them you can rack the hardest heart. If you can but induce the water to read them. This is a combination that will knock all the "reasons" against Socialism nite a last very's birds nest. last year's birds' nest.

WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

knife can have a kosner edge than which has No knie can have a keeper edge than which has he Army pledge to cut the gordian knot and hange our life from dark to bright, to crush the wrong, lift up the right; dear comrades, that I wot. For education is the need—to this, we are all agreed; then let us get in line and sign the pledge or, sign it now, we'll get the names, some way, some how then comes the grand New Time.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women, join it.

some how—then comes the grand New Time.

THE WOMEN'S LEGGON—Socialist women, join it.

Special to the conrades of North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Texas—We want the names and ddresses of populists in your states. Send us all the names you can pay for hit fifty cents wer hundred, to be used in the Rig Populist Edition of Jan. 21. See the editors of the populist papers and get them to co-operate with us in the greatest educational campaign the Appeal has ever undertaken. taken.
THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women.

WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, join it.

Comrades, we have changed the requirements on the MILLION contest so that you can get the subscriptions as it best sulis you—that is, if more convenient to you some other way, you need not send in just five a week. Send them as often and in use in numbers an best suits you, as the only requirement now is, in order to secure the watch, hat you send in 20 subscriptions within one year from the time that your pledge reaches this office.

THIS WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women, jein it.

One more week for that heavy hombardment of

In it.
One more week for that heavy bombardment of the Army editor with vocunteer pladges. Let it be the next seven or sight days a regular Galston cyclone and a blinding enow storm of edges. Comrades and commencesses, we are ready take care of them, and if you think that you, in show us under, put all your enthusiasm into the work and see if you can swamp us. We like the swamped in this sort of work—now all up of at it.

to be swamped in this sort of work—now all up and at it.

THØ WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women, foln it.

Courade Moynahan, Boston, Mass., puts it this ave "I believe it the driv of the Socialists of Massachusetts to retain the reputation of their are as being the banner Socialist state of the train, and that we should double out vote at the next election in order to keep in the front rank. Is now no better way to do this than to get as many saders for the Appeal as possible. I celebrated Christmas by pleking up the following names, and half send or the same of the

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women Our watchword is a MILLION, comrades. Get that fixed in your minds, and we are as e riain to set it as the rising of the sun. The million gained all is garbed, for the end will be in sight of the old capitalist system. There ought to be no sacrifices too great do make to accomplish this. When your enthusiasm is once aroused, all things will be possible. We want to hear from every man and every woman who wishes to see the reign of Societism, and we want to hear from them right now. all is gained, all capitalist rifices too.

now.
THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist w

fein it.

With judges and lawyers, and state, county and national office-holders, and postingaters, and solutional office-holders, and restingaters and telegraphers, and all sorts of laboring men and women, and even children, working for the Appeal, where are the capitalists going to get their support 'in the sweet by and by' not so very far off? And where will they so for their servants who are content to remain in that glerious condition, "where," to quote mitalism, "God in his infinite wisdom has placed them." THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women

join it.

Cosurales, in case you sign one of those pledges, to the best you can and then full to win the wach, here will be no harm done, but much good by the good work you have done for the cause. Of sourse, we want every contrade to win who signs, and will do all that we can to assist him in doing o, but in case he should full, there will be no states attached thereto. Many comtrades seem to think that if they sign the pledge and then full o make up the 20 subscriptions, they will have the pledge, every one of you who feel like deing thing for the cause. A great many of you who do not expect to, and those who fall, have for the cause. A great many of you who do not expect to, and those who fall, they would be the cause of the best they could.

THE WOMEN'S LEGION - Socialist women, join it.

join it.

Oh, the capitalist confusions, on their paunches creat confusions; how their politics have vexed us, but our blow on solar plexus renders nil their stolen billions. We have hit them with our MILLIONS, readers of our Socialist papers, hence their craziness and capers. Soon well play our "little jokers," meaning MILLIONS Socialist voters, then compacte will be their wose and well have dealt a kneedent blow. Up and at them, up and at hem; become no morning to compact them, up and at hem; from northeast point of Lake Superiar, down through all the visal interfer, in where the where their through all the storious waterhoard gs. From San Francisco on Pacific let the movement, now terrific, spread beyond New York Bloot TO MAKE THE APPEAL A MIGHTY MILLION.

THE WOMEN'S LEGUION—Socialist women, join it.

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Writes Comrade Rule, Goshen, Ky.: "We gave Father McGrady a royal reception in Louisville last week, and he created a deep and permanent impression upon the people. Not many of the titled gentry of the town were out. The audience was composed principally of the quiet, thinking class, but they appliated his telling hits like enthusies the properties of the properties of the town were expression of M. Quadiet panghlets, to use an expression of the hirse man. The Rev. Fr. is a host in himself, and reminded me of Martin Luther. Southern people and reminded me of Martin Luther. Southern people are stand by the truth. Pather McGrady's resignation has deeply impressed the people of Kentucky. Comrades Dobbs and Robinson, of the Louisville erganization, are untiring in their efforts to reach the people with literature, and the last named was the means of my conversion to the cause, for he it was who sent me the Appeal to Reason."

THE WOMEN'S LEGION—Socialist women, join it.

Appeal to Reason, 25c per year.

Current & Comment

The Pueblo Courier says: "It is no use kicking against Socialism, it is bound to come.

San Francisco has had 140 sulcides in six months. Evidences of prosperity are not wanting on all sides.

The Labor World of Duluth, Minn., has ently published some strong articles on Socialism. One by one they rally round the

Frank A. Munsey of magazine fame, is entering the newspaper field—to form a chain of great papers under one management. So the trustification goes on.

The Scandinavian American publishes a wo column article on Socialism in a recent ssue. It seems that it still breaks out in spots and the spots are growing thicker.

The letter carriers are considering the matter of affiliating with the American Federation of Labor. Organized labor will eventually be brought into one fold. Then look out, Mr.

King Edward and Queen Alexandria have been permitted to be photographed with Hall Caine, the Manxian Socialist. When the roue king of England can secure company of this hind there is been for his future. kind there is hope for his future.

The Youth's Companion announces that Prince Kropotkin will be a contributor to its columns during the coming year. The above individual is the best known anarchist in the world, but he has a title dontcher know.

"The Pit; a Story of Chicago," by Frank Norris; published by Doubleday Page & Co., New York; cloth; 420 pages. A realistic story of gambling on the Chicago Board of Trade. Admirably written and a true analysis of the life of a grain speculator.

Union men are advised to subscribe for the Journal of American Industries published in the interests of the manufacturers at New York, You will learn just how much your or-ganization is loved. You've got a mighty struggle before you. Get together, both in your union and at the polls. Unite or be

In 1890 there were 2.082 shoe factories employing 133,630 persons, who produced \$220,-649,358 of value and for which they received in wages \$60,667,145. In 1900 there were but 1,600 factories employing 142,022 persons who produced \$261,028,580, and received in wages \$59,175,853. It appears that capitalism is a good thing—for the capitalists.

Two parallel articles appeared in the London department of the New York World of December 13. One says that 20,000 time expired soldiers have joined the army of the employed and that several papers have es-tablished funds to maintain soup kitchens. Litter freezing weather is also coming. The other article records the sale of a salt cellar to one of "God's nobility" for \$15,000. Our Senator Clark bid the little gem up to \$12,500.

The California Christian Advocate, in its sue of December 4, is an interesting study. In one column it lauds capitalism and rejoic of the Geary bill to municipalize a street railway in San Francisco; in another makes a wall about missions, and in etill another heads an article, "Why Not Join the Church?" I presume the latter question was directed to the exploiting class. Surely, Mr. Advocate editor, you don't mean to profane the name of Jesus by inviting the poor to YOUR synagogue!

On December 14 our good Christian brother, John D. Rockefeller, received a check for \$4,600,000, his quarterly dividend on his oil stock. Out in the broad land there are 4,000. 600 homes of the poor that carefully husband their heat and light to keep the chill frosts of winter from stiffening their bodies and to a few flickering rays to bare walls. Thousands of shivering babies are denied the pleasbres of childhood, sacrificed to the monster of greed. Incidentally there are several millions of dupes who vote these conditions on themselves at every election.

The district attorney of New York has arrested a soubrette who appeared at a smoker tone of the contrivances of the idle rich to consume the heavy hours) and danced in abbreviated costume. At the conclusion the off her clothing to supply the demand. The company consisted of many church members in good and regular standing. One of the number was so shocked that he filed charges against the girl, hence the suit. Always the poor girl who is thus forced to earn her bread unit suffer. Novem the release to the suit. must suffer. Never the vile possessors of de-

Chairman E. H. Gerry of the steel trust re-

cently said:
"We own 70,000 acres of Connellsville coal practically the whole supply of the world. We also own 50,000 acres of Pocahontas coal. These two coals beat the world for cheapness and quality. We also own 700,000,000 tons of unmined iron. Then we have about 1.500 miles of our own railroads, besides something like 115 steel boats on the lakes."

Some day this will, all belong to the people. That day will be when Socialism is established. "How are you going to get it?" somebody says. Don't bother about that, elect Socialists and see what will happen.

corner of the title page: "If you want to bring up your children in a peaceable, law-abiding commurity, with a maximum of advantage and a minimum of disadvantage you should come to Alameda." Immediately below in "scare heads" is chronicled the tragic death of an old man who burned both the house where he lived for thirty years and himself to escape eviction at the hands of a local bank. The man was 67 years old and was formerly a shoe worker, but was displaced by machinery, and was about to lose his home as the result of poverty. When one thinks how peaceful and placid old age might be un-

der Socialism he marvels and is constrained to say with Puck: "What fools these mortals be." How doth ignorance punish her victims.

What a farce is the claim that the country prosperous. In the face of all the claims in the plutocratic press people continue to starve and freeze in the cities. In Kansas City alone 8,400 were fed by charity on Christ-mas day. In New York City 25,000, and so the story goes with all of the centers of population. Is it a sign of prosperity that Rockefeller draws a dividend of four millions, or that Carnegle builds libraries? Is it not the old 'Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey

Where wealth accumulates and men decay.

St. Petersburg dispatch says of Russian conditions:

Regular auction sales of women and chill dren are held there, the wives, daughters and little ones of men who are too poor to buy food for them being knocked down to the highest bidder in order that they may not perish. A sound, wholesome young girl fetches \$135. A healthy child sells for from \$10 to \$25. Speculators are said to do a thriving business by fattening their emaciated purchases and selling them again. Whole families are subsisting on a little meal mixed with the ground bark of trees, while roots and herbs are holled with the flesh of diseased animals to make

This is in Christian Russia, where a crucifix is in every home. But don't pity the poor Russians, they cannot vote. Pity your own stupidity for we can duplicate these things in almost any big city.

"Instead of attempting to 'remedy' or 'sup-ress' or 'control' or 'disturb' that which we know is a blessing we should turn our atten-tion to that which is known to be an evil and take a hand at suppressing organized labor," ys Congressman Calderwood, of Kansas.
"I regard organized labor as the greatest

menace this country has today. It not only robs its members of their liberty, but is a constant menace to the lives and property of the people. It is the cause of famine and blood-shed. It frequently causes a famine in the It refuses to recognize necessaries of life. brains, and holds the brainy, capable member down with the dullard. It is a barrier to progress, a bad and dangerous thing, and should be supressed." This reflects great credit on the intelligence

of Kansas voters, doesn't it.-Ed.

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Br A. W. R.

They are slaves who fear to speak, For the fallen and the weak.

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Carcless seems the Great Avenger; history's pages but record,
One death-grapple in the darkness 'twixt old systems and the Word;
Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne—
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind the dim unknown
3 tandeth God, within the shadow, keeping watch above His own.—Lowell.

THE CONFLICT.

Over earth's broad reach of battle, Over hill and vale of time; Men have gather'd for a struggle, That invites our thought sublime.

Not with gun or sword, the conflict, Not with force of armed might; But with weapon far superior, Will we battle for the right.

From the mind evolves the forces, That are marshalled on the field, Thought's the weapon ever mighty, That the sons of men will wield.

Thoughts are things the poet tells us, And their wings are swifter far, Than the magic force electric; L'othing shall their progress bar,

Crowns shall fall from vile usurpers, Tyrants tremble on their thrones Chains shall fall from slaves forever, Freedom speak in joyful tones.

Look within for power immortal, speak the word of truth aloud; Unto earth shall come the vict'ry, Soul's true voice has e'er avowed.

of every human act, and to be happy is what all the world's a seeking. Why do men intox-icate themselves with alcohol? To excite pleasurable emotions. Why do men gamble? For the feverish excitement it produces, that causes the victim to lose cognizance of time, place and conditions. Why do men and women lead fast lives? For the same reason. Why do men seek great wealth? To purchase happiness. Why have martyrs willingly died at the stake? To preserve their ideal of cappiness at any cost. What drives the Scalalet ness at any cost. What drives the Socialist to the cheapness of the garret that he may buy books, or to brave the sneers of the conserva tive that he may propagate his principles? Because this gives him more pleasure than the The Rev. Chas. W. Nevin of Philadelphia, the city that stuffed the ballot boxes at the recent election to a point exceeding anything in American history, made a long harangue to a convention of Presbyterian ministers recently, warning them to prepare to combat Socialism. He closed as follows:

"Men of might, of sanity, of patriotism, of godliness must arise to check the onset, to rescue the misled, to maintain our virtues, to defend the land."

Great combination. Quay, Pennypacker, Morgan, Rockefeller and their sleek, well-fed spiritual advisers. One can almost see the filmy figure of Jesus, behind this preacher, pointing with ethereal finger to these sanctified assemblies and saying, "Oh, ye hypocrites, how shall ye escape damnation:"

One sees some queer things in the press. A California paper that prints in the box at the bring up your children in a peaceable, lawabiding community, with a maximum of ad-

more exercise, and failing to get their due recognition they become a source of positive torment. Let us go to experience for proof, Will the world testify that alcohol gives its victim lasting happiness? Step on the witness stand, you gamblers, and tell us if the fever in your veins is real happiness. Come, you men and women of fast and unnatural you men and women of fast and unnatural lives, are you happy? Let us hear from you, Mr. Carnegie. Have the millions you took from the men who forged wealth for you with blistering hands and bodies given you happiness? If so, why your horror of death, why did you flee from your mother's burial and leave others to write the closing page of her life? Unhappy rich man, how hardly shall you inherit the joys of life. Well, Mr. Socialist, take the stand. Why do you spend your money and time combating ignorance, often denying and time combating ignorance, often denying yourself what the world calls the good things? "I wish to end this hell of ignorance and strife." What for? "To get freedom for myself." But why then bother with others? "Because the individual is an integral part of the human race and cannot get freedom on the material plane or even the higher planes till the multitude is free." Are you happy? "As nearly so as one can be who is surrounded by a world full of every conceivable form of misery and crueity. I am setting at work forces that in due time will establish not only my own, but the mastership of all mankind over own, but the mastership of all mankind over material conditions. I am at peace with myself and that is something that the man who seeks conformity with the methods of the world cannot say. My work is not sacrifice, it is pleasure of the keenest sort. I lay no claim to heroship. I am doing that which gives me pleasure, and the product is twofold. I am battling down the walls of capitalism by persuading men to be brave, patient and determined and my ranks are growing while those mined and my ranks are growing, while those of the oppressors are thinning. I therefore exert a greater and more lasting power than the king or the commercial prince. I am los-ing my own superstition and fear and gaining knowledge and courage. I work with determination. I wait with patience. In due tim the first shall be last, and the last shall be The poor will inherit the earth.

The peacemakers will be called bless. The persecuted will be the administrators of justice.

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