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Colorado is Looking to Other States to Follow Suit.

A DJT. Gen Bell, in command of the Mine Owners' militia and the Citizens' Alliance mob, telegraphed to the New York World, on June 19th, as follows:

"Should it become a military necessity, the whole state of Colorado will be placed under martial law, and all instructions dealt with accordingly. We have been making the fight for the whole United States, and the Western Federation of Miners has been receiving financial support from the country at large. Colorado is looking to other states to follow suit."

The Appeal has repeatedly pointed out that the battle now being waged in Colorado is simply the first skirmish in the war which the capitalists propose to inaugurate all over the land against the workers. The Dick military law was the first step, and under its provisions the national government can step in and do what Bell and Peabody have done in Colorado. This is what Bell expects.

I do not know whether the working class of the United States will be able to maintain the same attitude of forbearance as have the miners of Colorado. Should they be goaded into an armed rebellion, as the Mine Owners hoped would be the result in Colorado, there would be little doubt as to the result. With the machinery of government in the hands of the capitalists, with absolute control of the military and standing armies, with all the tremendous power given the administration by the Dick law, the working class would be murdered by the thousands.

If the Socialist plan of a peaceful revolution at the ballot box—which has been the sustaining hope and goal of the miners of Colorado—can be firmly impressed on the mind of the working class of the entire country, WE WILL WIN. Let us familiarize the workers of the

working class have no rights that the capitalists are bound to respect. Every man who votes a republican or democratic ticket votes for the open shop.

So far as the working class is concerned the constitution might as well be abolished.

Shifting the burden of exploitation from one class to another is capitalism's favorite method of keeping the working class divided. And a divided working class means an enslaved working class.

Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus is right when he says: "Men are not born free." Every man born under capitalism is a slave to capitalism. It is only when capitalism is abolished that men will be born free.

At Apollo, Pa., Leslie G. Wilson, 29 years old, formerly an assistant foreman in a galvanizing mill, shot and killed himself. Despondency over failure to secure work was the cause; in other words, he didn't own his job.

Prof. V. F. Starr, formerly of Kansas, who recently struck a rich mine in California, and sold out for more than a million, has been reported as having abandoned Socialism. A friend there writes that he has not done anything of the kind, and is even more radical than formerly. A little money don't turn the head of a man who can think.

The voters of Tampa, Fla., have again elected the capitalists to control of the city. After the deportation and imprisonment and kidnapping of the workers, that they would again elect their masters to control is one of the singular things about American politics. They do not deserve any better treatment than they have received, and no pity should be wasted on those who vote for men who maltreat them. The Socialists cast about fifty votes. Hurrah for capitalism!

The steamships are bringing emigrants from southern Europe for \$10 each! They are helping their brother trusts to flood the country with cheap labor. And Gompers and Mitchell vote the same tickets as the owners of these vessels and as the men who vote subsidies to these ship owners. And the working class remain the dupes of such leaders and parties! What better treatment than they get do they deserve?

It is not necessary to make laws against unions of workmen. It might frighten them into voting against the capitalists. All that is necessary is to call the troops out and shoot them as is done in Colorado. This does not frighten the working class and they will continue to vote the militia into the hands of the capitalists as usual. Singular, isn't it?

When you come to think of it, the rabbits of Colorado have about the same rights as the workers of Colorado—both have the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as long as they dodge the man with the gun. And if

country with the actual situation in Colorado—disclosing the tactics of the capitalist class, and putting our comrades on their guard, and the victory will be assured.

If we permit the lies sent broadcast through the public press at the dictation of Bell to go unrefuted, there is little hope of avoiding a struggle that will drench America in blood from one end to the other.

When I ask you to spread, knee deep, if necessary, Appeal No. 447, I am asking you to do that which will save this country from the horrors of civil war.

It is to this end that you and I have toiled and sacrificed for the past decade. Through the frosts of indifference and the heat of strife, you have enabled the Appeal to plough its way, until we are now about to witness the final agony of the system which it has pitted itself against.

Join with your comrades throughout the country in holding protest meetings, as suggested by the National Office, and at these meetings circulate thousands of copies of the Appeal containing the story of Capital's crime, written by an eye witness.

There's paper in the warehouse for ten million copies and the plates will be preserved just as long as an extra copy is demanded.

If you never do another thing for the cause of the brave men, the outraged women and the suffering children of Colorado, DO THIS NOW.

The parting of the ways has arrived and just on the other side lies the Co-operative Commonwealth—peace, happiness and good will.

you look right close you will observe that back of the man with the gun stands Pious John D. Rockefeller with a bible in one hand and a title deed to the earth in the other.

At the request of the labor unions in New York, a resolution of sympathy for the Colorado miners was introduced into the aldermanic council. It was greeted with cat calls, jeers and groans. And the union men of that city voted to elect these men! Not one of them could have been elected had the union members voted against him. Don't you think the union men are wise? Are they not peaches? Whoop'er up this fall for the same democratic machine. You must like to see the working class bayoneted. Shame on your duplicity.

The Western Tobacco Journal, Cincinnati, for June, says that "The Metropolitan Tobacco Co. is causing consternation among the small jobbers of New York and Brooklyn. It will no longer furnish tobacco for the jobbing trade of these small jobbers." And there you are. The small fellows will be rapidly eliminated from now on. They will be ruined by the system they voted for. There are some people, we are told, who will learn in no other school than that of experience. The sooner the little fellows are turned into hobos the sooner they will be anxious to vote against the system of capitalism. It's fun to see them wiggle in the net they laid for others.

Gov. LaFollette, of Wisconsin, has said some pretty sharp things against trust rule in this country. However, like Pingree, he carried his party machinery and elected his side as delegates to the Chicago Trust convention that nominated Roosevelt. But that convention would have none of him and seated the minority delegation. The trusts are ruling with a high hand, and will not tolerate any man or men who favor making them amenable to the laws. The republican party is a poor place for any but abject party slaves. No independence is wanted. The trusts are in the saddle and will stay there until Socialism comes, no matter how long that is.

In the olden times, when Robber Barons roamed thro the land, the common people were the victims of them all. To save themselves, they went to some strong baron and offered to serve him if he would protect them from the others—and thus became his slaves and serfs. In Texas, the labor leaders have made a proposition to the republicans that if they will pledge their party to enact favorable laws to labor, they will throw their votes to it—the same old game. Labor deserves to be enslaved if it is too cowardly to fight its own battles on the political field. So long as labor depends on others to protect it, it will not be protected. Liberty is a thing that cannot be GIVEN; it must be TAKEN. Who would not take liberty is not fit for liberty, and would permit it to slip from them without an exertion to keep it. When labor is deserving of legal protection it will have it. Cringing party slaves are not fit for other than industrial slavery.

Dr. Gunsaulus, at Armour institute, told the graduates that "There never was a more interesting falsehood than that 'All men are created free and equal.'" Right, doctor, when trusts and combines and grafters, whom you vote for, rule a nation. If what we see here is "free and equal," some men are born to be the slaves and servants and menials of the drones who possess the wealth that they never earned. The Declaration of Independence has been a lie these many years. But what else could be expected from a lot of rebels who took up arms against the good King George, who wasn't half as bad or brutal as the rule of the trusts in this country.

Henry C. Frick, of Homestead fame, who was so kind to the Pennsylvania miners in feeding them bullets, has just selected a United States senator to succeed Matt Quay, deceased, to represent the working class in the American House of Lords. You have read this in the dispatches, as I have—and what do you think of it? The working class in Pennsylvania will likely be led by Mitchell and Gompers to endorse this action at the polls in November—and then wonder why the laws always favor the capitalists! It were far better that Frick were at the head of the labor unions than in the senate. Labor has not a single representative in the American congress because it has listened to such men as Mitchell and Gompers. Now have it!

The struggle of labor for more of its own products has been marked by blood and privation and misery all along the line of history. Every demand from the slaves has been met by the ruling class with the spear, the sword or the bullet. In this country, the land has been crimsoned times without number with the blood of laborers. And with all this the working class insist on voting their masters into office so that the masters will have the right end of the gun to shoot with! Wonder will they do it this fall again?

Opening up new markets simply means the opening of the factories of our nation by closing the factories of some other nation. The closing of the factories of a nation means a reduction in the purchasing power of that nation, and its working class must starve or emigrate to that nation whose factories are temporarily running full time to supply the wants of those nations whose shops it has succeeded in closing, and there to fight for the jobs and starve later.

I find that human nature is about the same everywhere. Right here, in Kansas, Comrade Shoaf's story of Colorado, printed in No. 447 is making Socialists by the hundreds. If it will do it here, it will do it anywhere. Comrades, you are missing the greatest opportunity of your life to make Socialists if you fail to circulate No. 447. Get this story to the people, comrades, and start the great landslide.

Chedister C. Kidd, president of Wood Workers' Union No. 180, and likewise president of the Indianapolis District Council, has been expelled. It was proven that he was a spy in the employ of the Corporations' Auxiliary Co., of Cleveland. Kidd said he was known as number four and that there were 12 such men as he scattered among the various unions of Indianapolis.

The daily press report a gigantic mine combine with Rockefeller at the head. It is to be a two and a half billion dollar deal to control the output of all American mines. This means that the scenes now being enacted in Colorado will be repeated in the near future in every mining camp in the country. There are strenuous times ahead for American workmen.

For his faithful services in their interest, Attorney General Knox has been appointed U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania. All the great trust men urged his appointment and the appointment was made at their dictation. This is a government of, by and for the people!!! Wonder how the working mules of Pennsylvania like their new master?

Ex-Sheriff Martin, the man who ordered the massacre of the miners at Lattimer, Pa., seven years ago, by which sixteen unarmed miners were killed and seventy-two wounded, has been appointed by the republicans mine inspector of that district! And workmen vote the republican ticket!!!!

The patriots of Russia might as well appeal to the czar for justice as for the American working class to appeal to Roosevelt. The strenuous president is where he is just to keep the laboring class in subjection to the capitalist class.

Shifting the burden of exploitation from one nation to another, is simply a postponement of the final dissolution of capitalism.

Has any friend of the Appeal a copy of Jesse Harper's "Life of Lincoln"? The Appeal would like to buy or borrow it.

U. S. Senator Knox, by virtue of the Anthracite coal trust of Pennsylvania, how do the working mules like it?

The "business man's government" has proved futile to bring peace and plenty to all. Let's try a workingman's government.

The truth of the bid saying that birds of a feather flock together has again been exemplified. Governor Peabody attended the republican national convention.

No making labor unions illegal is needed in this country. All that is necessary is to gather up the Citizens' Alliance and drive the union men out of the state! And Union men vote to have this state of affairs when they vote the old tickets.

Labor Union papers are advocating co-operative industry. That is what the Socialists have been preaching for years—we want all industries made co-operative and owned by all the people, and thus stop the grafting by capitalists.

The Socialist party of Minnesota has been debarred by the courts from going on the official ballot with that name. By a referendum vote, the comrades have decided to take the name of Public Ownership Party, and will be known as such in that state.

On account of certain provisions in the election laws of New York and Wisconsin, the Socialist party in those states is known as the Social Democratic Party and goes on the official ballot under that name. The arm and torch is the official emblem of the party in New York.

Col. Mulhall, of Oklahoma, friend of President Roosevelt, shot three men on the Pike, at the World's Fair. And Gen. Bell, of Colorado is a friend of the president! And also John Mitchell—and all the trusts. And the working class have the votes to elect a friend of their own—but elect their enemies every time!

Say, you republican working slaves, when you read of the outrages committed against weak women and starving children by that brave (?) military hero (?) of Dunnville, Adjt. Gen. Bell, don't forget that he is a warm personal friend of the man whom you helped elect to the presidency of the United States.

C. E. Henderson, a preacher aged 60, at Butte, Mont., lost his paper because of age and sank into direst poverty, working on the streets and washing dishes in restaurants. He turned gambler and won several thousand dollars and is now enjoying life. Great is the modern civilization that rewards crime and punishes virtue with poverty.

The laboring class of the world presents every degree of stupidity. They have the power with the ballot to control the government, instead of which, they vote to the capitalists the power and have the government against them. Then like whipped curs they PETITION their elected servants to deal justly with them! It is like unto men throwing away guns and picking up clubs to fight a well armed foe.

The Citizens' Alliance and Mine Owners' Association of Colorado have started a boycott on the Denver Daily News. The paper admits the withdrawal of over \$100,000 worth of advertising so far! The courts have fined the labor unions for boycotting and given judgment, but it will be different when their members are doing the unlawful act. The press that cannot be controlled must be destroyed—even if it takes the ax or the torch to do it. The capitalist class is great on law and order, don't you know.

Struggle as he will, the farmer cannot escape from the clutches of the trust until the wage system is abolished. The trust is but the natural product of the capitalist mode of production, of which the wage system is the base. The trust cannot be abolished or even retarded in its development as long as the wage system endures. And as long as the trust exists, the farmer cannot escape exploitation, and as the trust develops the condition of the farmer must grow worse. It, therefore, behooves the farmer to join hands with the wage worker in the effort to abolish the wage system.

The capitalist courts have rendered judgment against the Longshoremens of New Orleans for \$12,000 for expelling some spies in the pay of the employers and the court ordered that the expelled members be reinstated! Damages were also given against the Bricklayers' union at New Brunswick, N. J., for \$500 for boycott and the Boot and Shoe Workers' union at Haverhill, Mass., was punished with \$1,500 damages. And Gompers and Mitchell want their fellowers to keep on voting the old party tickets! The courts are running the unions for the capitalists—and will until the unions go into politics and capture the courts and the government. Are you ready for the slavery? If so, whoop'em up for Teddy and the donkey.

It would be morally and legally wrong for a mob composed of ordinary working men to arm themselves with guns and demand the resignation of regularly elected officials on the ground that these officials were opposed to the interests of the workers. I say this is wrong because every one, not a workingman, who reads this will at once concede that it is wrong. On the other hand, it is recognized as right and perfectly proper for an armed mob of well dressed citizens who have a bank account to force the resignation of officials whom they suspect of having sympathies with the working class. This is right, I say, because no paper in all this broad land has condemned the action of the Citizens' Alliance mob at Cripple Creek and Victor, Colo., when they did this very thing excepting, of course, the Appeal and a few other purely working class publications.

When the average man reads of the dynamiting of negroes' homes at Guthrie, Okla., he will say it is race prejudice. But he is badly mistaken when he thinks so; behind every such act is an economic reason. The negroes of Guthrie were simply competing with their white brothers for an existence and getting a little the best of it; "race prejudice" is merely an excuse used by the white race to justify its action in eliminating negro competition. Every southern man knows in the bottom of his heart that there is not the slightest danger of there ever being such a thing as social equality between the white and colored races—the negro objects to associating with the whites fully as much as the whites object to associating with the blacks. It's simply a bread and butter question, not a race question.

A circular letter to the wage slaves of the K. C. S. railroad begins thus: "Our president, Mr. Khot, has graciously expressed his wishes in regard to affording OUR employes an opportunity to visit the World's Fair during the early part of the exposition!" His Grace! Getting quite English, doncher know? And OUR employes! Ours them pretty much like he does the rolling stock. Says they may go during the early part of the fair, which will not be worth seeing. What greatness have our nobility attained! And what degradation of the working class, who have to be instructed when they may or may not visit the fair they have builded and paid for! Great is the American nobility.

The emperors of Germany thought they could wipe out Socialism with the prison, the bullet and the spy. Just how well they succeeded will be seen in the growth of the vote to 3,100,000 at the last election—34 per cent of the total vote! The more it was persecuted the more rapidly it grew—even when it was a prison offence to have Socialist literature in one's possession. Colorado is making more Socialists than all of us agitators have done in ten years—and the election returns this fall will prove it. The boys are not suffering in vain.

The government built an ice plant at Manila. It was a war necessity. It has been paying 13 per cent interest to the government. It cost a million, but will be sold to some government pet for a song that they may feast on the people. This republic is in the hands of as great a gang of pirates as ever scuttled a ship or slit a throat. It looks too much like Socialism for the public to own productive property. And the itching palms of the grafters want the profit. And their friends at court know how to get it for them.

Chas. Barrick, wedded but three months, sick and out of work, suicided at Sharon, Pa., says the Telegraph published there. Sixty thousand dollars for a stable for the president, but not a cent to provide employment for a workman! Millions for postal thieves, but not a cent for honest labor! Great thieves go free while honest men starve. Will you vote this fall to have this continue? Haven't you given your vote to the old parties long enough to find them out?

How quickly the members of the laboring class will turn out to arrest one of their number who molests the property of the rich class. And how slowly the rich arrest any of their class who confiscate the property of the poor. The rich are continually laying cunning plans for getting rich from the poor and the whole government machinery is at their disposal to help. And the working class vote the political power into the hands of the rich!!!!

John Mitchell has decided against the miners and in favor of the coal trust at Red Lodge, Montana; the men contended that the check weighman should be selected by them—Mitchell was made referee and decided that the company should select the man to weigh the coal—and the miners will keep on missing two tons and getting paid for one. Yes, John is a great friend of the miners—\$100,000,000 a year! The mine owners know.

MILITARY OUTRAGES!

The Cripple Creek Vigilance Committee Inflict Cruel and Inhuman Treatment Upon Union Miners and their Families.

Staff Correspondence to Appeal to Reason.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 22.—Peace and tranquility are beginning to reappear in the military-ridden districts of Colorado. Civil government, administered by the hired minions of the mine owners, is preserving law and order in Telluride and Trinidad. The mines in those places are running short handed because of the recent deportations, and good non-union miners at high wages are in demand.

In the Cripple Creek district martial law still obtains. There is some semblance of civil government, but every step the local officers take is with the knowledge and consent of the military commander. There is now not a single county or city official in the Cripple Creek district, from the highest prosecuting attorney down to the lowest deputy constable, but what has received his appointment through the sanction of the Mine Owners' Association. Armed deputies still patrol the streets, but most of the militia are gone.

Hung Head Downwards. The vigilance committee is still taking testimony from every possible outside source that will throw light on the Independence horror, while Sheriff Bell, Prosecuting Attorney Crump and several able assistants are busily engaged in the work of "sweating" the prisoners for incriminating evidence. All sorts of rumors are afloat as to the nature of this "sweating" process. According to one story, John Harper, manager of the Victor union store, was hung up three times by the neck in order to obtain a confession. John James, member of Victor 22, who was captured in the Dunnville fight, after being beaten into insensibility with a club, was suspended head downwards by the toes for five minutes. Walter Warner had no sooner denied complicity in the Independence plot than a big, burly deputy delivered a blow that knocked him clear across the room. These facts, highly colored, are purposely carried to the wives and mothers of the tortured men in order to accentuate their already almost unendurable agony. No one is permitted to communicate with the imprisoned men.

Cheated Out of Their Little Home. A large proportion of the families of the deported men have either left the district or are preparing to leave. Household goods are sold at a sacrifice, and homes that represent the savings of years are going for a song. In nearly every instance the purchaser is a mine owner, or his representative, who is availing himself of this opportunity to buy cheap from the union people to sell dear to himself. In Goldfield, Independence, Anaconda and Altman at least half the houses are empty. "To rent" signs are stuck up all over Victor and Cripple Creek, and business is at a standstill. Some of the mines have been opened but the output is not large. In fact, the entire district presents the appearance of just recovering from the effects of a pestilential visitation and people who come out on the streets tread softly and talk in whispers.

Clerks Now Work Two Hours Longer. Very few arrests have been made during the last few days, for the reason that no union miners remain to be arrested. The unions of the retail clerks, musicians, barbers, etc., have met, only to withdraw from the District Trades Assembly, but no announcements of future local meetings have been made. As a result of the cessante the retail clerks have had their time lengthened two hours each day, the stores now closing at eight instead of six o'clock.

Union Miners' Homes Burned. All insurance has been removed from the homes of union miners and it is the declared intention of the Citizens' Alliance to burn out any unionist who has the temerity to remain. Three mysterious fires have already occurred in which union families have been the victims. Mrs. Maggie Morrison, who closed her restaurant in Independence at the beginning of the strike, was ordered by the Citizens' Alliance to dispose of her effects and leave the district. She is accused of agitating Socialism. Several attorneys of liberal sympathies have been boycotted by the powers that be and notice has been given to the working people throughout the district that they must not give their legal patronage to these boycotted lawyers.

Was a Republican—Now a Socialist Agitator. The most incorrigible unionist yet arrested is L. E. Krotz. Krotz is a well educated young man from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who came west in quest of gold. Desiring to learn the business thoroughly, he joined the union and hired out to one of the large mining companies. When he went into the bull pen he was a pronounced republican. After three days' imprisonment he declared for the democratic party. He now says that if he ever secures his release he will spend the rest of his life agitating Socialism.

The Influence of the Women. Prior to the Independence depot explosion the Woman's Auxiliary to the miners' union had a membership aggregating over seven hundred members. They constituted a power almost equal to the union itself. When these women withdrew their patronage from the regular merchants and threw it to the union stores a mighty howl went up. Destruction of the Auxiliary was resolved upon forthwith by the stranded merchants. During the strenuous excitement their charter was destroyed, their principal officers were arrested and further meetings of the members were ordered to cease! When suffering among the families of the exiled miners began to appear some of these women took it upon themselves to relieve the distressed ones. This was at once stopped by the military authorities. But the plucky women found a way to beat the militia by doing the work secretly under cover of the night and it is now reported that no cases of actual want exist. However, there are no more open meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Eight Men Reported for Work. When the Portland mine opened Tuesday night eight union miners responded for work. This mine formerly employed five hundred men, ninety-five per cent of whom were members of the Western Federation. One of these men told the writer just after the close-down that the men had taken a solemn resolve not to return to work unless the mine reopened on the old basis. These men have all scattered through the adjoining states looking for a job.

Deputy Sheriffs in the Raid. The Victor Record has made an appearance on the streets again, but with an editorial policy immensely subdued in tone. While Editor Kynes' thoughts have not changed since the raid was made upon his office, he does not care to give them expression through the columns of his paper. He has named the men responsible for the outrage but no steps for their apprehension have been taken by the vigilance committees. They are all members of the Citizens' Alliance, some of them are deputy sheriffs, and not a single one of them ever carried a union card.

Miners' Attorney Released. Attorney Frank J. Haugs, the legal representative of the miners' union, who was arbitrarily arrested by the militia, and subsequently released, without reason, has announced his willingness to continue his relations with the Western Federation. While he has made no statement to the public in regard to his unwarranted imprisonment, he nevertheless attributes his early release to the storm of indignation that was rapidly gathering in the association of the Colorado bar.

Chas. Meyer Now in Cripple Creek. Charles Meyer, the imprisoned Federation president, has been transferred from Telluride to Cripple Creek. His long confinement has undermined his constitution and today he is only a shadow of his former self. Throat troubles have rendered him almost speechless and he has very little to say about the situation. He is allowed to see no one, and everything sent out by telegraph concerning him personally must first receive the approval of the authorities. C. G. Kennison.

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THE LESSON OF THE STRIKE.

Let Workmen Everywhere Heed Well the Words of the Last Two Paragraphs.

GEORGE H. SHOAF.

There are several questions in connection with the Western Miners' strike—principles vitally affecting the whole of our industrial and governmental system—which must be understood before an intelligent grasp of the Colorado situation can be obtained, or the lessons drawn from Colorado's experience be appreciated.

In the first place the laws and government of the United States were established long before the birth of the huge corporations which today practically dominate the business of the nation. Provision was not made in the Federal constitution looking to the establishment of a legal protectorate over the modern institution of union labor.

Thus while the means of producing and distributing the necessities of life have changed within the last century the laws and government of our country have remained unchanged.

The trust is tacitly admitted by all political parties to be an unlawful institution. It is also contended by economists of note that organized labor is an organized revolt against the existing order of things. And whereas the trust, though a radical departure from the business methods employed a hundred years ago, through skillful manipulation, has taken possession of and now absolutely owns and controls the law-making power, union labor has done nothing in this direction, but has permitted itself to be outlawed on every occasion that suited the interests and convenience of the trust.

Not that by saying they are unlawful it is meant that the union and the trust are wrong. In themselves they are right. They are the inevitable consequences of a changed industrial system and can no more be abolished than can the laws of gravitation. It is doubtful if our present civilization could survive were they destroyed.

With this introduction we come to the labor organization known as the Western Federation of Miners. But before entering upon an analysis of the miners' strike, its causes, progress and probable results, it were well to say something of the American Labor Union, with which it is affiliated, and to contrast this latter organization with some of the older and more conservative unions—notably the American Federation of Labor.

The Old Trade Unionism.

The American Federation of Labor, with Samuel Gompers at its head, has practically controlled the destinies of the organized workmen of America since the Knights of Labor were betrayed and their organization destroyed by their Master Workman, Terrence V. Powderly. With the motto, "Pure and simple unionism" inscribed upon their banners, the organizers of the A. F. of L. rallied to their standard hundreds of thousands of working men and women throughout the Atlantic coast, the middle states and in some portions of the West.

Relying upon the policy of conciliation and arbitration to win their way, and resorting to the strike only when all other methods failed, the numerous organizations affiliated with the A. F. of L. have fought the industrial struggle, alternately failing and succeeding in making agreements with their opposing employers, and at best have made only an almost imperceptible progress.

Time and again have the unions chafed under the restraining influence of the parent organization. Concessions which they have been advised to make to capital when they thought higher wages or better conditions were at hand, have repeatedly disgusted able men and have more than once caused them to renounce their unionism altogether.

The principle of autonomy has been much criticised and has long been regarded as a stumbling block to progress. By this is meant the policy of letting each individual union determine its own acts, pay its own expenses, make its own agreements and stand the responsibility of its own strikes. "An injury to one is the concern of all," the old slogan of the Knights of Labor, is almost unknown in the constitutions of the national organizations affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

The absence of any encouragement to the members to study and understand the science of economics, and the painstaking care manifested by the higher officials in refraining from referring to the deeper things of industrial progress, have also been a source of criticism. Political action by the working class has been steadily ignored.

The Birth of the New.

Realizing, then, that the American Federation of Labor was little more than a mere organization; that its principles and policies were not calculated to strike at the foundation of industrial despotism; that its leaders and high officials, if not in collusion with, were at least the unconscious tools of, the trust magnates, and that the rank and file of the membership were growing restive under the inability of the organization to accomplish anything of real worth, a convention of progressive labor men throughout the West was called in Salt Lake City and on the 2nd day of May, 1898, the American Labor Union was born.

The principle of autonomy was voted down in the convention and the industrial form of organization was made to take its place. By this is meant that every employe working in and around a manufacturing plant shall be organized in one local, under one head. The agreements between the employers and employes of such plant must expire at the same time. If a strike is called in the plant it shall affect every employe thereof to the end that the establishment shall be completely closed down. Railroad employes, steam and electric, were to be organized similarly. The building trades, the retail clerks, hotel and restaurant employes, in short, every class of men whose labor added to the general wealth, were to be included in the new organization.

Going further than the local shop union, where all the employes were to act as a unit upon all questions affecting their immediate interests, the principle of industrialism was applied to the state and national organizations, so that if it were necessary to call out all the unions in the state to help the striking local win its fight, it might be done, and finally, if a general suspension of business were found necessary to bring success to the original local involved, every member of the entire American Labor Union movement could be ordered on strike. In short, the movement was to be so organized and conducted that an injury to a single member was to immediately become the concern of the whole organization. This was a radical advance beyond the constitution of the American Federation of Labor and meant an execution of the sympathetic strike with a vengeance. Political discussion was advised, and later the movement was committed to the principles of International Socialism.

In projecting this new organization and helping to outline its policies, the Western Federation of Miners played an important part. Theirs was already an old organization. They had borne the brunt of conflict on many an industrial battle field and they appreciated the value of the aid a larger organization would afford. Already they had taken in nearly all the employes attached to the mines, mills and smelters in the metalliferous regions, and they felt that by reason of their strength and influence they would dominate the American Labor Union.

Viewed With Alarm by Capital.

The new organization, of course, was viewed with alarm by the corporations of the country, not only in the West, but also in the East. Nothing so revolutionary had hitherto been inaugurated. And, besides, it stood for the united political action of the working class at the ballot box. It advocated the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution. It was trying with its every influence to bring about the overthrow of the competitive wage system and the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth. It preached class consciousness and the solidarity of those who toil. It openly announced that labor produced all wealth and that all wealth belonged to the producer thereof!

Horror of horrors! This was a dreadful thing! At last the laborer had arrived at an understanding of the true principles and correct policies that should govern a labor organization! Steps must be taken to crush this movement before it had developed too great a strength, and, in pursuance of this determination, the Citizens' Alliance and the Mine Owners' Association were formed!

Petty struggles and constant bickering between these move-

ments followed their growth. The American Labor Union grew and gathered strength. The Mine Owners' Association and Citizens' Alliance, representing the monied interests, still further consolidated. The working people of Colorado, directed largely by the American Labor Union, by a referendum vote, decided to amend the constitution of the state of Colorado to permit the enactment of an eight-hour law, by 46,714 majority. To defeat the proposed bill the mine owners immediately bought up the governor and the legislature.

This barefaced debauchery of the people's representatives increased the bitterness of the situation. The impossibility of securing their rights through capitalist legislation was realized by the Western Federation of Miners, and they resolved to win by strike what they had failed to gain by votes.

The Beginning of the End.

Already there was trouble on in the Standard Mill of the United States Reduction and Refining Company, at Colorado City. Here the unionizing of the plant met the determined opposition of the manager, Charles M. MacNeill. This plant received a large portion of the ore mined by union men in the Cripple Creek and Telluride districts. To unionize the Colorado City plant and force conditions for the men, it was decided to cut off the source of supplies. A strike was ordered and on August 10, 1903, the mines in the Cripple Creek and Telluride districts, with one or two exceptions, were closed down.

The war that had been threatening for so many months was at last commenced. By a referendum vote taken through the unions some time prior to this, the power to call a general strike was placed with the national president, secretary, and executive board, and when the strike was finally declared the members responded to a man.

To Observe the Law.

Following the advice of their officers, the strikers resolved to obey the injunctions laid out in their constitution relating to disorder, violence and anarchy. These things they were positively enjoined from doing, and that they religiously observed the injunction is shown by the court records in the county and state. From the beginning of the strike not one striker has been convicted of a crime or a misdemeanor of any kind! They had more sense than to indulge in those things which would naturally prejudice public opinion against their cause.

Months elapsed, during which time the mines turned out no ore. It was a fair fight between the Western Federation of Miners and the Mine Owners' Association, with the mine owners' completely whipped. True to the purpose of their organization, the American Labor Union sprang to the rescue of their striking brothers, and supplies, sufficient to prolong the strike indefinitely, were poured into the Cripple Creek and Telluride districts. Because the local merchants refused to do a credit business with the strikers, union co-operative stores were started, which soon practically monopolized the business of the district.

The Mine Owners Outgeneraled.

The Mine Owners and Citizens' Alliance people were driven to desperation at the success of the striking miners. Their efforts to break the strike with scabs failed miserably because only inexperienced men could be obtained. Something must be done or they would be compelled to surrender.

Then, repeating the dastardly acts perpetrated by other members of their class in similar troubles in the Coeur d'Alenes, in Chicago, in the Pennsylvania coal fields, and in scores of other places where labor battles have been fought, these damnable representatives of a monied aristocracy began to hire private detectives to blow up mines, derail trains, and commit other outrages in order that they might fix the responsibility for these crimes upon innocent union men. Having it represented to him that a reign of lawlessness existed in the districts affected by the strike, Governor Peabody was either bought or persuaded into declaring those districts under martial law. Thus defeated in a fair fight, the gold mining companies, as other corporations before them have ever done in their disputes with workmen, resorted to the supreme power of the state to help them break the strike and wipe the Western Federation of Miners off the map.

The Militia Inaugurates a Reign of Terror.

With the advent of soldiers on the scene there commenced a succession of crimes and outrages that have not been paralleled in this country since the civil war. Free speech was suppressed, the press was muzzled, private letters were opened and read at military headquarters, private dwellings were sacked, women and young girls were insulted, men were arrested and thrown into the bull pen on trivial charges, the writ of habeas corpus was suspended, strike leaders were imprisoned and persecuted, wholesale deportations were ordered and carried out, and interspersed between these crimes of hourly occurrence were outrages of such appalling enormity that their execution could appear possible only in the dreams of a demon fresh from the fires of hell.

Public opinion must be turned against the strikers; so the detectives were told to play up an attempted train wreck. The military must be kept in the district; so the Vindicator mine was exploded. Failing to break the strike with these preliminary demonstrations, a last card was played. Some crime of unprecedented proportions must be committed, conditions favorable to the deportation of the strikers must be created; so the Independence depot was blown up!

Those acquainted with the character and past records of A. E. Carlton, president of the First National Bank of Cripple Creek, and leading spirit of the Citizens' Alliance; C. C. Hamlin, secretary of the Mine Owners' Association, and their spotters and detectives, K. C. Sterling, Charles M. McKinney, L. E. Moore and Marshall Bomere of Independence, will not hesitate an instant in placing the responsibility for the blowing up of the assayers' offices, the attempted train wreck, the Vindicator explosion, the Independence horror and the Victor street riot where it properly belongs. The circumstantial evidence against these men, as shown in court, pointed so strongly to their guilty complicity in the first three crimes, that anyone would be warranted in charging them with the guilt of the last two, especially in view of all the inexplicable circumstances connected therewith.

At all times during the strike, when not interfered with by the military, the strikers had the whip hand of the fight. Their two main enemies were the state militia and an unfavorable public opinion. Realizing their situation, they exercised the utmost diligence in keeping the public peace. They had everything to lose and absolutely nothing to gain by precipitating riots or indulging in lawlessness. They did not want the militia, and they did want the good will of the public. God alone can hand down a righteous judgment that will place the blame for these awful crimes where it belongs, for God alone, perhaps, will ever know all the facts by which a verdict can be reached.

The Real Conspirators.

Yet, despite the palpable transparency of the plots concocted, through which the people of the community clearly discerned the shadows of the real conspirators, press reports were telegraphed to the world charging these deeds to the Western Federation of Miners. But the world, which has already returned a verdict condemning the Citizens' Alliance and the Mine Owners' Association for the debauchery of the state legislature and consequent defeat of the people's will regarding the eight-hour law, will not be deceived in its final judgment as to the parties responsible for the reign of lawlessness in Colorado.

The game was played through with determined brutality, however. Innocent union men and strike leaders were arrested until one hundred and forty-seven men were jailed charged with complicity in the Independence depot explosion. Many of these were sweated and persecuted until they prayed for the relief of death. With a sum of money in one hand and a hangman's rope in the other, Prosecuting Attorney S. D. Crump alternately tempted and tormented the susceptible ones for days in his efforts to wring from them a confession of guilt. Is it any wonder that in a moment of partial insanity some were driven into admitting the conspiracy charge?

What had these men done that they should be thus hounded and

persecuted? Why were their wives, mothers and daughters subjected to insults, robbery and imprisonment? Why were happy homes destroyed and their occupants driven out over the mountains? Why were the business men of the district stirred to co-operate with the mine owners and animated by apparently nothing but the spirit of revenge?

There should be an answer to these questions, for every effect must have its cause. The average man will not rise up against his neighbor and seek to steal and kill unless he has cause. To answer these questions with any degree of accuracy it is necessary to understand the character of the people who make up the Cripple Creek district and the attitude of the members of the organization toward the business men before the strike.

The Characteristics of the People.

Briefly, therefore, the Cripple Creek district, as in most of the other mining regions of the West, was settled largely by Americans from the North, East and South. They were the pioneers who explored the mountains and staked the valuable claims. Some of these men developed their claims and are now numbered among the millionaires of Colorado, while others sold their discoveries to eastern magnates and English aristocrats. This latter class imported families of miners from England to work the mines, and selecting the best localities, erected handsome homes for themselves. It is a delightful climate in Colorado. The mountain scenery is picturesque. There is no healthier place in the world in which to live. Why not make this a permanent abiding place? So Colorado Springs, or "Little Lunnun" as it is more generally called, was built up by these British adventurers, as were quite a number of other towns and villages in the state.

But there is another people to be reckoned with, who, while not achieving a monopoly of the wealth of the world, have managed to work its representatives in wherever new countries are to be explored or deeds of valor wrought. The hardy sons of the Emerald Isle were not behind the excitement when the discovery of the Colorado gold fields was announced to the world. They pushed right in the forefront, and, hiring out as miners, have done more than any other class to really develop the mines and bring their wealth to light. They, too, settled their families in little cabins right under the shadow of the English aristocracy and comprise more than half the citizenship.

Strange as it may appear, there are not many nationalities other than those already mentioned, that are represented in Cripple Creek, Victor and adjoining towns. A few Jews have come in to open up their shops, and a few Missouri negroes to do the cooking and the washing for the wealthier families, but with these exceptions, English, Americans and naturalized Irishmen comprise the majority of the population.

The Irish Took the Lead.

When the Western Federation of Miners came to organize the district, the Irish, loving liberty and hating despotism, naturally took the lead. To a man they enlisted under the union banner and while many English and American miners likewise joined, the Irish properly controlled the organization. Here, then, we have the Irish workmen organized into a labor union confronting their old time, everlasting enemy, the beef-eating emissaries of the Union Jack.

Before the strike was called symptoms of this ancient animosity were exhibited on every occasion. It might be, too, that the union, because of its really great power, went too far in its petty exactions from the business men. The property rights of the mine owners, guaranteed to them by the Federal constitution, whether rightly or wrongly in the absolute, perhaps were invaded to an extent unwarranted by constitutional law. Restaurants and saloons might have been boycotted for trivial reasons, and social ostracism visited on the families of men who preferred to be scabs. These things, while totally inexcusable, could not possibly furnish sufficient justification for the awful crimes committed by the mine owners and business men after the strike was called.

"The red necks must be put down! Kill off the Irish! Drive out the micks!" Such were the war cries shouted by the deputies and militia in the riot of Victor, at the battle of Dunville, and during the sacking and pillaging of the miners' homes. Racial and religious prejudice figured largely with the native Americans who were persuaded by the unscrupulous mine managers and wealthy Britishers to help them in their work of exterminating unionism from the district. The few American non-unionists were simply used as suckers, their eyes blinded to the true facts, and were led into this crusade by men who long ago had planned to drive the Irish out.

Patriots Exiled From Home.

Well, the Irish were driven out, and with them have been driven scores of men whose forefathers helped to plant Old Glory in the heavens at Lexington, at Yorktown, at Monterey and at Appomattox Courthouse. In the sacred name of liberty and law foreign aristocrats and domestic mercenaries have scourged from their homes the sons and grandsons of patriots who first made the law and gave to the world the priceless treasures of American liberty. While the robber rich are rioting in luxury created by the unpaid toil of the American workmen, the wives and families of these men are sobbing in hunger in their little cabins as their husbands and fathers are tramping the blistering desert in search of work! The law of the bayonet rules in Colorado; the reign of militarism is supreme! Where will it all end? When will these outrages cease? God only knows. Political prophets and commercial magnates declare that Colorado's recent experience must be repeated in every American state before the business interests of the nation will be safe; that Colorado, being vigorous and more progressive, has anticipated the East and North by just a few short years! God of nations and of men! If ever Thy ruling providence were needed to guide aright the destinies of a race, then wert Thou needed now to temper the storm that threatens to engulf the people of the United States!

This brings us back to the first principles enunciated in the beginning of this article, an understanding of which is absolutely essential to properly appreciate the lessons here deduced.

Be it therefore remembered that as a people we have progressed commercially and industrially far beyond the limits of the Federal constitution, that the government of the state and nation has been seized by the minions of corporate wealth, that the laws of the land are executed only against the poor and in favor of the rich, that when labor goes on strike it has this corporation-owned government to fight, and that the responsibility for these conditions rests with the workmen themselves.

The Lesson to be Learned.

Let it be further understood that no matter how class conscious the union; how well it may be organized, or how steadfast the members stick, an unarmed, undisciplined, empty-handed, peaceful strike against state or Federal troops will always fail. A labor strike at best is a poor weapon of defense. When the state or national government takes a hand it is worse than no weapon at all. The lesson from Colorado's experience in regard to the conduct of a strike, therefore, is that unless the organization is prepared for the logical consequences thereof; unless it has the numerical strength and is equipped to win its way by force of arms; unless, in short, conditions are ripe for the revolutionary overthrow of a government that has long ago outlived its usefulness, then the strike had better not be called. This declaration sounds harsh, but it is the Gospel truth!

But there is an easier, a better, a more humane, a more intelligent solution of these industrial and governmental problems than is promised by the strike. It is found in the ballot box by voting for the collective ownership of the mines, mills, smelters, factories, work-shops, railroads, steamships, and all the means of production and distribution upon the common use of which depends the sustenance of our collective life. Socialism is the remedy, and the only remedy, for the grievances that we bear. And unless the workmen of Colorado and of the world learn this fact; unless they realize that it is not Peabodyism, nor militarism that has driven them from their homes; unless they see and know that it is genuine, unadulterated, class conscious CAPITALISM that is at the root of the evil, as it is at the foundation of all social and economic injustice, and seeing and knowing this fact will bend their every energy for its overthrow, then the lessons from Colorado's experience have been lost.

G. H. SHOAF.

COLORADO, CAPITAL AND CRIME.

Assault Upon Socialism—Let Us Hoist the Standard of Revolt—Colorado Day Throughout the Land.

EUGENE V. DEBB.

Almost a year has passed since the strikes were precipitated in Colorado.

What caused them and who is responsible for their consequences?

Let the naked facts be stated.

The legislature of Colorado passed an eight-hour law in Colorado in 1899 exactly like the eight-hour law of Utah, which the United States Supreme Court had declared constitutional.

The supreme court of Colorado, owned bodily by the Mine Owners' Association and smelter trust, declared the law unconstitutional.

In 1902 a constitutional amendment was submitted to the people of the state, commanding the legislature in express terms to pass an eight-hour law. This was carried by a popular majority of more than forty thousand votes.

The legislature met and was bought outright by the mine and mill owners with scarcely an attempt to conceal the damnable crime. The members of the legislature, with the gold of the capitalists bulging in their breeches, refused to pass the law demanded by a majority of over forty thousand of the people.

These are the absolute facts. No one can deny them. These foul facts caused the present strike.

The mine, mill and smelter workers, inhaling the poison fumes and gases which undermined their health and destroyed their lives, struck only after the mine and mill owners had debauched the supreme court, bought the legislature and trampled rough-shod over the legally expressed will of the people.

The miners struck for their lives.

They struck as the very last resort.

Who are the criminals, the law breakers, the killers of men, the corruptors of the body politic, the debauchers of the nation?

Who but the capitalist anarchists who compose the Mine Owners' Association, the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company and the American Smelting and Refining Company?

These are the brazen brigands who have the flint face to talk about law and order.

"To hell with the constitution" has been their murderous motto from the start, and their trail is red with the blood of the working class.

The latest crime in their desperation to crush the Western Federation of Miners was the blowing up of the depot platform at Independence, filled with workmen. Note that not a mine owner, nor any other capitalist, or member of the Citizens' Alliance, or detective, or other corporation hireling was on the platform. Only poor, dumb workmen were blown up to cover up the crimes of capital and bring down the wrath of the nation upon the union miners.

The mine owners charge that union miners instigated this crime.

It is a foul and damnable lie.

If these capitalist conspirators, these dressed-up footpads, were not as destitute of conscience as cobras, this vile and abominable lie would stick in their throats, turn their faces black and strangle them to death.

They will have character-assassins in plenty to swear away the lives of men their blood-blotched gold could not buy.

Sherman Bell has already announced that they would swing—this without evidence and before being tried—and this in the name of law and order.

Who benefited by the crime? The mine owners. Who were its victims? The union miners.

Who compelled the sheriff and other officers of the law, under threat of hanging, to resign their offices and filled them with corporation hirelings? The mine owners.

Who were bound and gagged and clubbed and bull-penned and deported and shot dead without a hearing? The union miners.

Let them dare hang one of these innocent men and by the gods of retribution hell will crack open their own ears before the curtain falls on the last scene of their gory revelry.

In 1859 the slave owners of Virginia hung old John Brown, the criminal agitator.

In 1860 Abraham Lincoln was elected president of the United States.

In 1861 the earth shook beneath the tread of armed legions and millions were singing:

"John Brown's body lies moldering in the ground
But his soul goes marching on."

In 1863 the Proclamation of Emancipation was issued.

In 1865, less than six years after John Brown was murdered, as the mine owners of Colorado now threaten to murder union leaders, the slave owners were annihilated and chattel slavery was wiped from the earth in a storm of iron and a deluge of blood.

Then it was chattel slavery. Now it is wage slavery. Then it concerned a few negroes. Now it embraces all the workers of the world.

"Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad."

The gods made the slave owners mad and then smote them to death. The gods are making the Colorado capitalists mad and in their blind fury they are rushing to their doom.

Let them hang an innocent union man in Colorado! Let them sow the wind! Let them put their own necks in the nooses!

They will reap the crop they are sowing to the smallest seed of injustice.

And now a vital question!

Why are the capitalists of Colorado and the nation waging a war of extermination upon the Western Federation of Miners and the American Labor Union?

Why? Why?

BECAUSE THEY DECLARED FOR SOCIALISM.

That is the reason—the only reason.

Their assault, therefore, is not upon labor unionism, but upon Socialism.

This makes it our fight—the fight of the whole working class.

Let us recognize this fact and support our comrades in Colorado to the bitter end.

We see our comrades in the Rocky Mountains murdered in cold blood by hired mercenaries; driven from home, forced out of the state and dumped on the desert to die like lepers; crowded like cattle in festering pens and fed on vermin; bludgeoned, bayoneted, insulted and outraged in a thousand other ways.

We see the governor as the servile tool of the mine owners, the supreme court their fawning sycophants and the legislature their bought-and-paid-for lickspittles.

We see President Roosevelt smiling serenely upon this bloody scene, as Peabody blows out the constitution and Sherman Bell struts the state an armed bully. Would Roosevelt lack the power to act if Moyer and Haywood were in the roles of Peabody and Bell?

Not a word from Roosevelt. Not a word from Judge Parker, from Gorman, McClellan, Hill or Hearst. Not one. Not one.

These are the national representatives of the Republican party and the Democratic party. Their silence proclaims their attitude. They and their parties are with the capitalist anarchists of Colorado who are strangling law and assassinating labor.

The Socialist party alone is the party of the union men of Colorado. The mine owners are well aware of this and their hostility to the union is but the pretext of their determination to stamp the Socialist party out of Colorado.

THAT IS THE ISSUE.

The mine owners understand it clearly and all the capitalists are lined up accordingly.

Let us face the issue and fight it out.

They may win the skirmishes. The ultimate victory is ours. We can stand ten thousand defeats. The working class cannot be vanquished.

The capitalist mine owning class have got to go. The working class are bound to come.

And now for action! We, the Socialists of America, should appoint a Colorado day to hoist aloft the banner of revolt.

The national committee of the Socialist party, it is suggested

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The Murder of John Carley.



Prostrate upon the ground here lies a working man with spirit dead. A silent protest to the present age of Capitalism wrong; John Carley—dead.

From which erstwhile the cry For justice for the hopeless? The manly form beneath a silent sky.

Protest of words? Brave resolutions? In Pennsylvania, new laws have been organized. The following places: Vanderbilt, Carnegie and Ellwood City.

Report of the "Battle" of Dunnville. In all there must have been 5,000 shots fired by the combined force of deputies and militia.

dog, was among the three who were seen running up the gulch. His two companions dodged behind a rock and escaped unhurt, but Carley, who brought up the rear, fell, shot through the heart with a Krag rifle ball.

COLORADO, CAPITAL AND CRIME.

should issue a proclamation to all the Socialists of the land. Let the first Sunday of August or some other suitable day be appointed as Colorado Day and celebrated throughout the land as the anniversary of the class war in the Rocky Mountains in which our comrades are so valiantly engaged.

Mr. Rockefeller has notified the Colorado miners, through his office at the White House, that he cannot interfere in their behalf. He is too busy organizing that two billion dollar metal trust.

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...The Army...

McCormick's Socialist Battle Ship. Comrade Dan McCormick, an old Socialist warrior, of Butler, Mo., is going to the States. He is, in the practical Socialism that he is, he proposes to make a trip out something for Socialism. Just Big Dan has been a problem with which he has wrestled for many days.

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Woman's Department

HE tang and odor of primeval things are in his hair. He reads the thoughts of every man's mind. And Freedom is his goal. —Josephine Conger.

Dear comrades! All who are furnishing the lubricant without which no crank (not even a Socialist crank) can move things, I thank you and I love you and I wish I could see you all together and we could talk (all together) and get acquainted.

The May Beals Fund. The first contribution to keep this young woman in the field until after the campaign was received June 7th. Following are receipts to date, June 22nd.

SOVIET TICKET FOR MONTANA. The Socialists of Montana met at Helena on the 17th of June and nominated a State Ticket as follows:

AN EASY WAY TO MAKE MONEY. I have made \$50.00 in 30 days selling Dish-washers. I did my housework at the same time. I don't canvass. People come or send for the Dish-washer. I handle the Mount City Dish-washers. It is the best on the market. It is perfectly safe. It washes and dries the clothes in two minutes. Every lady who sees it wants one. I will devote all my future time to the business and expect to clear \$4,000.00 this year. Any intelligent person can do as well as I have done. Write for particulars to the Mount City Dish-Washer Co., St. Louis, Mo.

\$3 a Day Sure Finish the work and wash your hair in 10 minutes. It is the best on the market. It is perfectly safe. It washes and dries the clothes in two minutes. Every lady who sees it wants one. I will devote all my future time to the business and expect to clear \$4,000.00 this year. Any intelligent person can do as well as I have done. Write for particulars to the Mount City Dish-Washer Co., St. Louis, Mo.

HAY FEVER AND ASTHMA CURED TO STAY CURED.

Health completely restored. Cures removed. Weather, dust, pollen, etc. no longer cause hay fever, asthma, or anything else can not bring back pollen. A new way of curing hay fever, asthma, or anything else can not bring back pollen. A new way of curing hay fever, asthma, or anything else can not bring back pollen.

YOU CAN Double Your Salary year after year for a moderate income without getting ahead or making provision for your old age.

Tehuantepec Mutual Planters' Co., Dept. H, 506-7 Fort Dearborn Bldg., Chicago.

COMMON RED CLOVER. Cures cancer, eczema, salt rheum, rheumatism, and all other blood diseases. It is the best blood purifier known. It is the best blood purifier known. It is the best blood purifier known.

TAPE WORM. Cures tape worm, pinworm, and all other intestinal parasites. It is the best worm expeller known. It is the best worm expeller known. It is the best worm expeller known.

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WHY NOT OWN YOUR JOB?

It doesn't take a prophet to foretell what the working people of this country are up against. He must indeed be a dull man who cannot see it.

You, my comrade, know that there is but one escape—Socialism.

But we cannot have Socialism until the workers capture the machinery of government, municipal, state and national.

International capitalism is trimming its sails to meet the storm; on every hand we see the glutted markets; the great army of the unemployed is daily being swelled by thousands of new recruits.

The Appeal believes that to push this work of education there is nothing better than the Appeal's propaganda boat.

Black Despair, Gaunt Poverty and Grimming Starvation are ghosts that haunt every wage worker today.

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No man today who works for wages is safe from want.

In possession of this boat you will come as near owning your job as it is possible to own it under the present system.

How to Capture the Boat.

The Appeal has purchased a beautiful and serviceable launch, 25 feet long, provided with cabin fitted for the convenient housing of two families.

No. 3.—All estimates must accompany the list of subscribers. Under no circumstances will estimates be allowed on lists that have been sent in without estimates.

Each estimate must be accompanied by seven yearly subscriptions; except that all clubs reaching the office during June will be entitled to three estimates: clubs during July, two estimates; clubs up to the 15th of August, one estimate.

No. 4.—For every club of seven reaching this office during the month of June, THREE estimates will be given; clubs of seven received during the month of July will be entitled to TWO estimates; clubs of seven received during the month of August will be entitled to but ONE estimate.

Exp. Sub. March 25th 3,992 4,139 March 15th 4,649 5,217 March 15th 5,164 6,615

No. 5.—The boat complete, ready for service, will be delivered to the two successful comrades at Racine, Wis. which is but a short distance from Chicago.

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MILITARY OUTRAGES

Not a Local Union Remains. The declaration to wipe the miners' union off the map made by General Sherman Bell early in the campaign, has apparently been made good in the Cripple Creek district.

The authorities at Washington have refused to permit the Socialists to hold open air meetings. The reason assigned was that "permits are not granted to occupy the streets for private interests."

No Effort to Apprehend the Real Culprits. While every effort to extort confessions from the imprisoned men is being made, and numerous charges, from petty larceny to murder, have been preferred against the more prominent strike committeemen, apparently nothing has been done to apprehend the real perpetrators of the Independence massacre.

The Spirit Still Alive. But while the visible union local with its officers, charter and paraphernalia have joined the procession of the deported miners, the spirit of labor unionism is not dead, but is sleeping.

Persecuting Women. Mrs. Ada B. Hanna, humane officer of the district, is authority for the statement that no fewer than six premature child-births have been recorded with the mother—all resulting from the terrible nervous strain to which the mothers have been subjected during the last two weeks.

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that Socialism has received its knock-out blow, but they are mistaken. As surely as oppression produced revolt in English history; as certain as poverty resulted in the overthrow of the Bourbon kings of France, then will history repeat the experience of the ages, and here in America oppression and persecution must inevitably drive together the now discordant ranks of labor for the final triumphant Waterloo of its enemies.

EVIDENCE ACCUMULATES SHOWING THE GUILT OF THE MINE OWNERS AND THEIR ALLIES.

Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason. Cripple Creek, Colo., June 22.—The authorities are making no effort to inquire into the facts of the Independence depot affair. Circumstantial evidence pointing to the probable guilt of parties not members of the Western Federation receives no attention whatever.

"WOMEN AND CHILDREN MUSTN'T TALK TOO MUCH."

"Marshal Moore, of Goldfield, has given notice to all men, women and children in that city, that they must keep their tongues in their heads and not indulge in incendiary language. Warning is given that any infraction of the rules will certainly result in imprisonment.

Moore has long been a spotter for the Mine Owners' Association and is a well-known disreputable character. He was serving a 14 year sentence for raping a young white girl when the strike was called last August, but through the intervention of A. E. Carlton he was released.

A. E. Carlton is the principal owner of the Findlay mine. James Murphy, the manager, is his close personal friend. It was from this mine the men came who were blown up.

MacNeill of the Colorado City reduction plant, where the strike first started, interviewed all the mine owners in the Cripple Creek district the week preceding the explosion and from them obtained permission to enter into negotiations with the miners' union looking to a settlement.

Carlton, Sterling, McKenney, Marshal Moore of Goldfield and Harry Bemore of Independence are all close friends, and cold-blooded scoundrels.

At various times during the month prior to the explosion, Sterling and the others named would warn scabs to avoid leaving for home from this or that depot, intimating that some thing was going to happen. They pretended they were onto a scheme the union men were concocting to blow up some one of the depots in the near future.

Mine manager Murphy, the morning of the explosion, held back part of the men, permitting only a few to proceed to the depot. One man who always rode, walked home after leaving that shift.

Mrs. Jack Allen, whose husband is a well known spotter and strike breaker, and who is now a company detective, the morning of the explosion was seen crying and acting hysterically.

Several persons whose names have been mentioned elsewhere in this paper have already given an account of how the bloodhounds trailed the scent from the end of the wire at the Delmonico shaft to Harry Bemore's house and thence to the Vincicator Powder Magazine.

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We are told that the Philippines are a very valuable possession. What benefit have you got out of it? The government officials over there who are looting the public funds are having a fine time. But are you not helping to pay for their stealing?

A MODERN NAPOLEON.

A writer in the Baltimore Sun says that Parry is a Napoleon, and then proceeds with this remarkable conclusion:

Yet Mr. Parry and his co-workers have much to learn of the cause of labor troubles. They will see that the workers are educated away from work by their forced attendance upon public schools.

Slaves should be kept ignorant. How do you working slaves like this view for the future of your children? Will you go on voting for your own degradation?

These are the kind of people who are elected by the working class to protect the sanctity of the home and nation! These are the kind of people who oppose Socialism as something that would ruin the nation!

WHERE PROPERTY VOTES.

By an act approved October 9, 1903, the legislature of Alabama passed the following qualification for voting: "The owner in good faith in his own right, or the husband of a woman who is owner in good faith in her own right, of forty acres of land situated in this state, upon which they reside; or the owner of real estate situated in the state of the assessed value of \$300; or the owner of personal property assessed for taxation at \$300 or more."

In Texas only those who have paid poll tax BEFORE February 1st of any year may vote in the election of November. Most people failed to pay the tax so early and will not be able to vote this fall.

The worker, in order to exist, must have food, shelter and clothes. The capitalists control the market where he must buy these things, and in order to obtain the purchasing power to buy them he must sell his labor power, and the capitalists control the market where he must sell it.

"It is absurd to charge the manufacturers and employers of this country with despoiling the workers. If there is anything which the manufacturers as a class desire more than another it is that of having loyal and contented workmen."

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MODERN LEGISLATORS.

The Xenia, Ohio, Herald, May 14, describes a visit of the legislative committee to the Orphans' and Sailors' and Soldier's Orphan Home in that city.

"Investigation Demanded—Outrageous and Dastardly Behaviour of Members of Legislative Committee at the Home—Drunk, Disorderly, Demolical, Desperate and Dangerous Doings in the Third Story of Administration Building—Sacred Retreat of Lady Teachers Burglariously Invaded."

The present situation between labor and capital is tending toward war. Out of that war will come the settlement of the question of man and master. The government must restrict this trend of organization. Organization is all right but it must be looked after by the lawmakers and lawyers of the country.

A Victor, Colo., dispatch, dated June 19, says that the Portland mine, which was closed by order of the military, because it employed union miners, would be re-open for work.

What do you think? And the farmer is in exactly the same fix. He stores his labor power in his product, which he must sell and the market in which he must sell is controlled by the capitalists.

There is no question about the employers wanting peace with their working slaves. They want loyal and contented slaves just as did the masters in the south before the war.

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This is the fellow in his greasy jeans. Who votes a straight old party ballot. His only idea is to oil machines.

"Hot Cinders"

By E. N. Richardson.

The constitution follows the flag on the installment plan.

The Pennsylvania system has reduced its payroll at Ft. Wayne \$24,000 per month.

The little boys of the rich have the same kind of measles as the little boys of the poor.

Read Lincoln's Gettysburg speech. Then read Roosevelt's. Note the difference and think a few.

Six hundred Italians at Montreal are without food, money or shelter. Bread riots are imminent.

The most powerful incentive to one's thoughts and actions is one's natural wants and desires.

Government today is run in the interest of property. The working class have no property. Nuff said.

There is always doom at the top, but there is only one way to get there—upon the backs of your fellows.

Wonder what Colorado 4th of July celebration committee will invite Peabody to officiate as speaker of the day?

Adj. Gen. Bell will probably have the Declaration of Independence read in Cripple Creek and Victor on the 4th of July.

A new counterfeit \$100 bill is in circulation. Be careful that your employer doesn't try to work one off on you in your pay envelope.

The man who doesn't own anything but a pair of overalls and a straw hat may be truthfully said to be a man without a country.

Why this howl about graft in politics? Graft is as natural to politics under capitalism as profit is natural to business under the same regime.

What do the pure and simple trade unionists expect to accomplish fighting the open shop on the economic field and voting for it on the political field?

When we are in Rome we are told to do as the Romans do. On the same principle it is to be presumed when in this land of graft we should do as the grafters do.

Twinkle, twinkle little star. How I wonder what they are; What those mystic numbers be; That will bring that boat to me.

A friend of mine who runs a book store tells me he had a call the other day for a Mark Twain scrap book from a fellow who thought it was a treatise on prize fighting.

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that's all. It's the system the working class of Mississippi voted for.

James M. Barratt, superintendent of the Merchants Coal Co., Boswell, Pa.: "This morning for the first time we tested our Gatling gun and it works like a charm. We can get a range in any direction in an instant and with our searchlight in operation feel that we are abundantly able to protect our interests."

Billingsby—"You look bad; what's the matter?"

Twillingsby—"Have been sick. Just paid my doctor's bill—\$50."

Billingsby—"That was a streak of good luck."

Twillingsby—"Good luck! How do you make that out?"

Billingsby—"Well, it was good luck for the doctor, wasn't it?"

Every county in every organized state should have an agitator and organizer in the field from now until November. Don't wait for some other local in your county to make the first step.

The Socialists are as sinners as any other class. But it would seem to many that they are beginning at the wrong end. Socialists need to begin inside and work outward.

The Star man is undoubtedly as sincere as we Socialists, but he does not understand the economic structure upon which our present social system is built.

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