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CAUSE

Table showing membership statistics from 1895 to 1904. Columns include years and membership counts for the Appeal Army and Socialist Party.

EFFECT

Table showing circulation statistics from 1895 to 1904. Columns include years and circulation counts for the Appeal and Socialist Vote.

RESULT

The president feels it highly necessary for the republican party to make progress during the next four years in the interests of the people.

STUDY of the figures given above will explain Mr. Roosevelt's alarm and his evident desire to "do something." So far as known no president of the United States has ever felt impelled to utter such a warning.

Now comes Roosevelt, after the republican party has been given the greatest vote in the history of the nation, and raises his voice in alarm.

It is echoed by politicians high in party councils and low in the meanness of partisan filth.

Senator Lodge, in his recent Boston speech, predicted that four years from now "the nation would be face to face with the problem of Socialism."

And why? The cause of this manifest uneasiness is told in the figures quoted above. It could be nothing else. Every man in the United States might denounce the trusts, the money power, the soulless corporations—every man might talk Socialism—and still the politicians would smile in placid security.

But when this talk and this discontent is crystallized at the ballot box and backed by a political party that manifests all the virility of growth and spurs compromise—then it is that Roosevelt establishes a precedent and warns the republicans, into whose hands has been placed the political power of eighty million people, that they must "do something"—unless they do, they will be called upon to restore democracy, and that social democracy is the Socialist party of the United States!

That half million votes can be swelled to a million in the same way that from nothing it grew to its present proportions!

Before there was a Socialist vote there was the Appeal Army—small, but filled with the spirit of revolt!

Then came the thousands of readers—followed by the swelling tide of Socialist voters from whose ranks sprang the Socialist party with its 20,000 members.

Isn't it touching the way the Russian people love their czar?

STARVATION must not be so bad after all. The masses prefer to starve than to vote for Socialism and plenty.

Mr. Roosevelt is complaining of race suicide. Capitalism must be running short of child slaves with which to displace the higher priced labor power of men.

THREE-FOURTHS of the farmers do not own any land. Yet we are told that the farmers will not vote for Socialism because they do not want to give up their farms!

JOHN MITCHELL says that the "injunction judges" are totally unfit to perform the functions of their sacred office.

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WE are calmly informed by the daily press that the meat trust will have to change its methods or it will "find itself in contempt of the supreme court, which has just decided that it is and has been violating the laws of the United States!"

WHEN "Mother" Jones and her army of child slaves went to Oyster Bay to humbly beg before the highest representative of the American people the police told them "to get out!"

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The Government Is Safe And the Railroads Still Rule.

By Franklin H. Wentworth, Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason

Washington, D. C., February 4.—The prediction made in these columns some weeks ago to the effect that the railroads would arise serene and smiling above the bombastic blast of the president a true control has already come true.

All the bills introduced by the representatives who rushed pell mell to please their home districts are admitted to be dead as a door-nail.

I have asked a dozen members during the past week, point blank, what congress was going to do to carry out the president's suggestion, and their answers were a fine study in evasion. They give you any kind of answer they think you are looking for.

When I go modestly into the capitol in my slouch hat, low collar and Wait Whitman tie and ask hesitatingly what we may expect in the west toward the relief of our suffering farmers and little shippers, the official lobbyists straighten up like fighting gladiators and inform me in determined tones that congress means to have no feeling, and the railroads had better understand it.

Then at the close of the session I look in again in a choker and frock coat, and hold a few of them up in a sprightly way in the corridor, for a few tips for the Boston papers. What they say to me then wouldn't make me rush off to sell my railroad stock—if I had any.

Their answers are always clear; in fact more than clear—transparent. But there is one fact of greater importance than the shifty falsehoods of congressmen trying to bunco your innocent and trusting correspondent, and that is that Mr. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania railroad company, has come quietly into Washington and gone quietly out again. This means more than anything else in reference to the railroad legislation.

The Pennsylvania company carries Washington in its pocket. A few months ago Mr. Cassatt made a former little visit to the capitol. It was just after the death of the Hon. Matthew Stanley Quay, senator, boss, briber and handy man for the "Penny," as they call this beloved corporation in Washington.

It was the president Mr. Cassatt came to see—and it was before election. Mr. Cassatt told Mr. Roosevelt that he knew who "the people's choice" of a senator might be to succeed Mr. Quay; in fact, he knew who it would be—if the president would consent. Mr. Cassatt knew the "people's choice" before the people knew it, which is the value of having brains—you can see further than the people.

Now, Mr. Roosevelt is no Russian autocrat to thwart the will of the people. (It was before election.)

As soon as Mr. Cassatt had told him that the people thought it was a pity for so able and distinguished a man as Philander C. Knox to be holding such a scrubby office as that of attorney-general of the United States, where he had to be all the time pretending to be getting after his friends, the president saw the point at once. Mr. Cassatt declared that if the president could spare him the people of Pennsylvania would die of joy at the idea of Mr. Knox entering the United States senate. Mr. Roosevelt was naturally willing to exchange Mr. Knox for the state of Pennsylvania. Mr. Cassatt always knows how the state of Pennsylvania is going to vote; so Mr. Roosevelt was not giving a pig in a poke.

Neither was Mr. Cassatt. He knew Mr. Knox could do the "Penny" more good in the senate openly and above board than in the embarrassing office of attorney-general, with the silly people clamoring for railroad legislation.

Mr. Roosevelt yielded to the unanimous demand of the people of Pennsylvania and Mr. Knox was released. Mr. Moody, a lawyer of Haverhill, Mass., was given Mr. Knox's job, which was very satisfactory to Mr. Cassatt, too, as Knox can beat Moody at everything.

United States senator from this commonwealth in a recess between sessions, the governor shall convene the two houses by proclamation, on notice not exceeding sixty days, to fill the same.

What did the governor do? This man Pennypacker, who declared that newspaper men should be suppressed as public nuisances whenever they criticize his august and noble performances, paid no attention to the constitution he had taken oath to uphold.

After a conference with the officials of the Pennsylvania railroad and the United States steel corporation he appointed Mr. Knox without ever thinking of the legislature and his oaths of obligation.

"What," said the late Mr. Campbell, of New York, "is the constitution, between friends?"

And those dear, respectable friends of "law and order," who are so afraid of an anarchist might get into the country; those highly moral citizens we hear so much about whenever a starving miner on strike in Pennsylvania breaks a window—what did they do? What did they do when they were thus alarmed and kicked in the face by their principal public servant, and their constitution, their supreme state law, devised for their protection, was thrown contemptuously into the waste-basket in the full light of day?

They did not even whimper. Not a newspaper in the state uttered even a passive protest; and the legislature, which ought to have impeached the anarchist in the governor's office and kicked him into the street, fawned and licked his hand, and last week re-elected that constitution contains the following provisions: Mr. Knox for a six-year term, in ob-

western hemisphere, with his usual cant invocations of "humanity" and "justice." And how the whole Jingo pack would take up the cry at his summons!

What a fine and free gift to their big navy schemes a nice, safe little war with Venezuela would give. And how the beneficiaries of the gutrotting tariff laws, and the trust magnates, and the lawyers, managers of railroads would laugh in their sleeves to see public attention withdrawn from their plundering for private profit.

What are the facts in this trouble between the Venezuelan government and the Bernudez company—a corporation of American capitalists—this trouble which led President Castro of Venezuela to express his compliments to President Roosevelt of the United States and to tell him politely to go to the devil?

The state department refuses to make public the reasons which led the Venezuelan government to proceed against the Bernudez company. The American people are not allowed to know. But there are ways in which information may be had without cooling your heels in the ante-rooms of the secretary of state. And there is talk abroad in Washington that the whole Venezuelan business in which the president has seen fit to interfere, is adrip with asphalt, and, if he doesn't look out, may be adrip with scandal.

My understanding from sources in which I have confidence is that this Bernudez company, this American corporation which has the Venezuela asphalt concession, was caught red-handed in an attempt to overthrow the Venezuelan government. The fine little revolution in Panama, which the president of the United States so deftly "helped through," is bearing its fruit as an illustrious example of capitalist anarchy.

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What a fine and free gift to their big navy schemes a nice, safe little war with Venezuela would give. And how the beneficiaries of the gutrotting tariff laws, and the trust magnates, and the lawyers, managers of railroads would laugh in their sleeves to see public attention withdrawn from their plundering for private profit.

What are the facts in this trouble between the Venezuelan government and the Bernudez company—a corporation of American capitalists—this trouble which led President Castro of Venezuela to express his compliments to President Roosevelt of the United States and to tell him politely to go to the devil?

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WATCH FOR NO. 482. This is the issue to which Water Thomas Mills will hand Mr. Perry a few copies will be better than the "Little Glass" knows how to deliver.

The Department of Graft

Mr. O'Fibely recommends to the present congress that they create such a cabinet position to properly handle this rapidly increasing industry.

If you are familiar with the history of the country, you will observe that just as soon as any industry or institution has reached its proper proportions in its divil-opo-mint, th' congress hev created a spavshul department for it an' added a new secretary, th' cab'net it' spind his time entirely, a' ye mind, thraivin' over th' country makin' political speeches for th' candidates av th' combines an' trusts phat's after runnin' th' gov'rment.

This same has bin kept up, d'ye mind, until th' day when th' strin-yous Tiddy, prancis into his cab'net chamber, he finds th' followin' heads av departmentists waitin' t' tell him how it's movin' in his country. "Th' Secretary av State, th' Secretary av th' Treasury, th' Secretary av War, th' Secretary av th' Navy, th' Attorney General, th' Post Master General, th' Secretary av Agriculture, th' Secretary av Commerce an' Labor."

Th' department av "Commerce an' Labor" is th' last addition th' president's cab'net an' was created, so th' Democrats sees, in th' last campaign, for th' particulary poorpore av gittin' th' "Trusts" an' "Combin's" t' shell out th' spon-doo-ick av th' strin-yous gunt phat was goin' t' bust them into smithereens.

Now, th' bin made up my mind (an' th' settles it) that th' best thing phat th' present congress kin do is create a new department an' call it th' "Department av Graft."

"But," sez you, "for why shud we hev such a department, phat's th' made av it?"

"T' which quistyun O' replies: "If ye was after payin' strict attinshun t' an' takin' th' proper intrist in th' affairs av yer country, as it's patriotic shud, ye wudn't hev t' be avin' me such a sissias quistyun." Th' made av th' "Department av Graft."

"Department av Graft" is t' give th' proper ric-og-nishun an' attinshun t' this industry, which has got t' be av th' most important in th' whole av th' country.

No matter at all phat newspaper ye picks up an' reads, ye will see where some amebushun districk attorney, or some gentlem'n, just as fawful av amebushun, has bin either showin' th' "suspectin" private citizens (who never was knowed t' hev a suspishun av any kind) that their city gov'rment is in th' hands av a gang av disgraceful grafters.

That, is th' thrue av th' mun-nis-e-palities is just as thrue av th' counties, states an' th' nashun.

An', as it's th' nashun phat we are discussin', we will, as th' sayin' is, confine our remarks t' th' nashunal grafters.

How many av ye hev alriddy forgot th' "Post Office Scandal" an' Graftin' th' was up for an' investigation th' a gov'rmental commisshun, but recently? O' declares t' goodness th' post office department was in such a bad state in th' hands av thim 'xpert grafters, that an ordinary citizen cudn't even as much as put a two cent stamp on a letter an' send it t'rough th' mails widout goin' along wid it hisself t' protect it from th' gang av grafters phat wud be layin' for it.

Ye remembers how th' prisdid had t' appint wan av thim famous investigatin' commisshuns, t' find out that there was no such a thing as graftin' in th' post office department; on the contrary, it was wan av th' best conducted instetushuns in th' whole domed country.

Tiddy has no sooner congratulated this investigatin' commisshun on th' able manner in which it has performed its duty, an' drawed its salary, whin up behs th' Injun land grafters.

Tiddy loopes th' divil t' admit av his strin-yous time in appintin' a high prind commisshun t' find that there has bin no graftin' in th' Injun lands.

This little affair has har-rally regred, d'ye mind, from th' center av th' stage whin along comes th' ar-rivy con-thrust grafters for an' investigation th' th' hands av a spavshul commisshun.

An' so O' mind continyos, as th' lawyers wud say it, ad-in-f-in-tem, citin' cases where th' prisdid has had t' appint commisshuns t' investigate th' "1908 COMBINATION."

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Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy. Every child of the working class born in this country is born with a thousand dollar mortgage on his back. You don't believe this, but that is because you have never studied the matter. Perhaps you can make it plain to you. Suppose that a nation were bought from some king by a people who would then move into that country, where all the homes, shops and machinery were ready to occupy, and were to pay to such king or owner a sum equal to one thousand dollars per person for those who made the purchase. Would not that nation have a thousand-dollar mortgage or national debt for each person, the purchase being made on time? You can see plainly that there would be a thousand-dollar mortgage on each person on which the interest would have to be paid. Now, suppose that these people moved into this country without buying it, but, instead, paid a rent for it, would the people not be in just the same relation as before, paying the same in rent as they would have had to pay in interest on the purchase price? Certainly. The king as owner or as lender would take from the people the same income for the use of his property. So it is, that as the poor do not own the things they are using, they have to pay those who do own them for the privilege of using, and thus all property becomes a debt on the non-owners. As there is an average of more than \$1,000 of wealth per capita in this country, it follows that each person is, by the various and devious ways of commerce, paying an interest on that sum, which, therefore, acts as if each family were five thousand dollars in debt with nothing to pay it with. And then, to think that the working people have made this very wealth on which they are paying this vast tribute! The capitalists have the softest snap ever.

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Women in Chicago

By JOSEPHINE CONGER, Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason

THEY'RE up against it all the time," said Mary O'Neil to me just now. She was speaking of the hard times of the Irish peasants, and, coming from Ireland herself, she knows. She also knows a few things about America, and a large number of people here who are not peasants, but who are also "up against it" all the time.

Mary was one of the strikers down at the stock yards last summer, and she had been so prominent that when work was resumed, she couldn't get her job back; now she is wrestling with the problem of a rooming house. Rent is high, gas is high, coal is high—Mary has had hard proposition on her hands.

But not only Mary. The average working girl, the self-supporting woman in this city, is "up against it" all the time—if you will allow the expression. The other day a prominent newspaper woman said: "I make about \$45 per week, but I save very little. I don't buy fine clothes; I don't live high, but the money goes." The fact is that the money merely makes a circuit, it flows into her hands for service rendered, and into other hands for service rendered, and so on around the loop, and back again into the coffers of the capitalists from which it started. But each time it goes back into the coffers it has value added to it. The working force through whose hands it passes have nothing at last to show, save the wear and tear that came from their effort to get hold of it for the moment. There are no profits; no lasting benefits to the thousands of Marys, who are wearing their lives away grasping with more or less desperation after this ever vanishing chain.

THOUSANDS OF UNFORTUNATES.
But the women who get as much as \$45 per week are rare.
In one block in Chicago there are five hundred prostitutes who gather in thousands of dollars for the heads of their establishments; but they receive nothing beyond their clothes and board. In Marshall Field's and other great stores of the city are hundreds of girls through whose hands pass vast sums, which go to the heads of their establishments—and they, too, have only their board and clothes out of it.

The one privilege of which they may boast is that they are permitted to look upon the wealth which belongs to others; of liberty they have none.
But even the number of women and girls who sell their labor and their souls amidst luxurious surroundings is limited.
One night last week I went—under protection—into a low concert hall at the back of a saloon on Halstead street. Women were there, gathering in money, but the environment was not attractive. I found a long, low ceilinged room in no stage of paint or varnish. A rude stage at the end of the hall furnished a place for a girl to exercise her cracked and untrained voice to the accompaniment of a cheap piano. Small tables were everywhere, and upon these were served to the pleasure seekers—if the orgies of the people fallen so low might be designated as "pleasure seeking."

We ordered beers—which we did not drink, because it was vile stuff—and spent half an hour studying the characters of the place.
The hall was crowded with men ranging in appearance from the fairly intelligent and well-to-do, to the most verdant and irresponsible specimens that city or country could produce. A dozen or more girls ranging from sixteen to a questionable age mingled with the crowd, and induced customers to buy more and still more drinks. They were pale, unadorned, unattractive, creature, powdered and painted and rigged out prospectively in pale colored satens, cotton back stiffs, faded ribbons, cheap lace and tinsel. Each one took her turn in giving a song and a dance on the stage, at which no one seemed to look or listen, for the crowd was busy talking, smoking, drinking.

As I sat there I tried conscientiously to figure out where the pleasure or the joy of such a mob came in, and I decided that they knew neither pleasure nor joy. There were merely a satiation of all brutal, acquired, inhuman propensities. The system of profit for which such a place is created is responsible for the inhuman conditions we found there, and since it gave birth to them it must nourish and sustain them, even increase them, and then feed upon the profits they produce.

And so it is that there are thousands of women in the city who sell body and soul and labor amidst surroundings where there is neither joy nor beauty nor pleasure—nor substantial return of any sort.

IN RELIGIOUS WORK.
Another phase of activity in which women in the city manage to find support, is along religious lines. Self-support may not be—or it may be—the primary object of an engaging in work of a religious or ethical nature. But support must come, in many cases, from this work. Institutions must be kept up, and deaconesses, if they are of the orthodox nature, captains and ensigns, if they are of the Salvation Army, must be taken care of as part of the institutions. And in many cases the living is hard, and the environment repulsive.

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Is Socialism a business proposition? Does it stand for full individual liberty? Will Socialism give the choice of occupation? Will it give everyone all his labor produces? If so, how could an equal income be just? If an equal income for all is not just did any one ever suggest a plan to determine individual remuneration according to justice?—L. A., Los Angeles, Calif.

Socialism is a social proposition for the good of society, just as the common schools or a fire department, or a sewer system or public roads are social propositions for the good of society.

Under it the largest possible liberty conceivable will be guaranteed to each individual. They will not be restricted by lack of tools to work with, nor of opportunity, nor any master, here, or individual will have the opportunity of developing any genius or skill he may possess, and it will not be a means of giving any master more wealth to still further enslave him. His efforts will not be coined into palaces that he can not enter or luxuries that he may not enjoy.

Socialism will give each the right to choice of occupation, according to one's ability. It will not give an ignorant control of some department of which he has no knowledge, as is often the case today, because of some family pull or ownership.

Socialism will give to every person much more wealth than they can produce by themselves, because of the better machines, better methods and finer specialization of effort. Each will receive according as he has helped to produce—nothing more; nothing less.

Incomes will not necessarily be equal. If some work more than others they will have more of the products. Certainly any system that would give to all an equal income regardless of their efforts to assist would not be just. That is what we have today. Socialism is a plan that will give to each justly what is his. You will find this philosophically analyzed in "Introduction to Socialism," by N. A. Richardson, of Los Angeles, Cal. Price five cents, at this office.

HOW THE RICH ROBBERS WORK.

The commission on the Philippines knows a thing or two. It recommends legislation enabling the carpet-bag government over there to issue bonds and have them exempted from all forms of taxation. Not only that, but in the Philippines, but not taxable in the United States! It recommends that power be given to guarantee railroad builders an income on their investments whether they pay or not! It recommends that the restrictions concerning vast holdings of land be repealed, and that land may be held in 25,000-acre tracts, and that mining lands may be held in any quantity! And you, poor jasper, are working your life away for a measly existence, while those you have voted to run the government are giving away princely fortunes to a lot of the most disreputable, corrupt and traitorous members of human society. Great, isn't it? See report of Philippine commission to Roosevelt.

STAY AWAY FROM COLORADO.
The Colorado Federation of Labor has issued warning to laborers to stay away from that state. From a bulletin issued January 5th by that body the following is taken:

"At this juncture the Colorado State Federation of Labor desires to sound a warning appeal. It has had its resources taxed to the utmost to provide maintenance of life for those here, and to remove others to more favored localities. Outside aid has been solicited and a further influx of wage-earners would be burdensome to those who have been so generous to their fellows in time of distress.

"We ask that all labor bodies and the labor press give the widest publicity to this appeal, and urge all intending comers against such a step until conditions are changed, as those who come will leave their political, constitutional and industrial rights behind."

"MONKEY COTTON PICKERS."

The capitalist class are having great sport just now making fun of the working class, and in a way that they think the working class will not understand. It seems that an orchardist named Sealy out in California sent to an employment agency to send him 500 pickers for his prune crop. The local papers then announced that he had sent for 500 native trained monkeys, over whose mouths he would put a muzzle and teach them to pick the prunes! And that is just what they think of the stupidity that serves them like monkeys—producing plenty, but actually muzzled to keep them from getting enough to eat. Will they never see that their masters are having lots of good sport at their expense? Will they always be willing monkeys for the rich? Or will they get wise, vote the Socialist ticket, and have their masters produce their own living?

And Remember

In No. 482 will be found not only the opening installment of Comrade Sinclair's great story, but it will also contain some startling disclosures from Washington by the Appeal's Staff Correspondent, Comrade Westworth has been quietly at work since his sojourn in the capital city, and the Appeal is pleased to announce that he will hand the plates one that will make Roosevelt rub his strenuous eyes. Fifty cents per 100 copies.

The San Antonio Gazette, January 9th, democratic, says the election law is to be amended in Texas "to limit nominations to the republican and democratic parties" and thus shut out all other parties. And this is how the democratic party loves the liberty of the ballot! This is what Mr. Bryan upholds when he upholds the donkey.

Miss Josephine Conger, one of the Appeal's associate editors, has been in Chicago for some time on a special assignment for the paper. She requests me to ask the comrades not to enclose matter intended for the Appeal in letters addressed to her. As she says: "It takes a lot of time and stamps to take care of these letters that are forwarded."

HOT CINDERS

By E. N. RICHARDSON

Because a wrong system is an old system it doesn't make it a right system. No, not by a jug full.

The tendency of affairs is always towards what the majority consider their present-day economic interests.

Is it a crime to wish for better things in a world filled with good things? One would think so to hear some preachers talk.

Even the worm will turn, we are told, which speaks well of the intelligence of the worm as compared with a working man.

Has every one born into this world the right to live? The answer to this question is the answer to another: Is Socialism right?

If every man could be sure that tomorrow he would get what was coming to him what a grand rush there would be for the woods today.

Speaking of martyrs, I don't believe there ever was a martyr but would have been perfectly miserable if by chance he had missed martyrdom.

The Panama canal has to be dug only once, but that's not saying how many times the producers of this country will have to pay for the digging.

If a majority of the people haven't the right to institute any kind of a government that suits them let's quit talking about being a free people.

It seems impossible for some people to understand that there is a big stretch of country west of the Mississippi river that is a part of the United States.

If we all told all we really knew and then quit talking, what a quiet old world this would be in about fifteen seconds after we started in to unload.

No people can justly or truthfully claim to be civilized as long as there are those in their midst who are hungry and in want, while others have more than enough.

Ask your neighbor if he isn't getting tired of playing fly to the capitalist's spider web. Get him to subscribe for the Appeal. Start him in now so he won't miss Sinclair's great story.

There was a time in this country when a great majority of the laborers were able to employ themselves, with the result that they received for their reward the greater part of the product of their labor.

Men are robbed by different methods—one by their consent and one without it. The robber who purchases the former plan is sent to congress, the latter go to jail—if they get caught. Moral: Never rob a man unless he is willing; in other words, be a capitalist.

You can't run away from capitalism. It's with you when you go to bed at night and when you get up in the morning; when you are born, when you are married and when you are getting ready for your own funeral always there, like an organ grinder's monkey, with its tin cup ready to catch the pennies.

We judge a tree by its fruits. In reply to a number of criticisms addressed to me I will say that it strikes me as only fair and logical that the Appeal and its management be judged by the results of its work. There is but one question worth considering: Does the circulation of the Appeal increase the Socialist vote? Does it increase the party membership? If it does this it has a right to live and it will live and have a million subs; if it does not do this it will die, and it ought to die.

It is probably true that many of us in the Socialist movement make sacrifices, but who do we make them for? Who but for ourselves? We work for Socialism because we have for our own best interests and the interests of the nearest and dearest to us. The Socialist who doesn't make sacrifices to advance the cause is very likely a Socialist because he has run up against the ragged edges of the "system" and not because he understands the principles of Socialism.

We hold up our hands in holy horror when we read that an unprivileged Siam a debtor, when three months in arrears, can be seized by his creditors and compelled to work out his indebtedness, and should he run away his father, his wife or his children may be held in slavery until the debt is paid, yet we have the same thing right here in civilized America, only worse. In this country the whole working class is always held in bondage by the capitalist class for a debt that is never paid. And the debt never will be canceled until the workers grow wise enough to go to the ballot box and cancel it.

The preachers tell us selfishness is the curse of the world. The preachers are right, but their remedy—whenever they have any—is wrong, or if not exactly wrong, at least ineffective. They propose—whenever they propose anything—to eliminate selfishness by making people good; in other words, they fight an effect, overlooking completely the cause—the private ownership of the earth and its fullness. Men are not naturally selfish; they are made so by the ride-or-be-ridden system under which we live. It isn't pleasure, but the money he gets out of it, that causes a man to get the best of me in a consumer transaction if he can. The preacher upholds the present system mostly because his job depends upon it. Most of them, I believe, are unconscious of the fact that it is their economic interests that cause them to take the position of apologists for the present damnable system of skin or be skinned. It is true. The trade unions are very strenuous in their demand for the exclusion of the Chinese. "They'll take away our jobs," they cry. They never seem to get that it is the capitalist mode of production that is taking away "our jobs"—the jobs we call ours, but which the capitalists own.

TRUE CIVILIZATION.

J. Ogden Armour of Chicago holds in one hand the grain market of the United States. Upon his whim rests the people's bread. Through the meat trust he controls the price of cattle on the hoof and the price of meat on the family table. At his command dairy products have become luxuries beyond the reach of the poor. He has to do with the price of fruit.

Bread, meat, milk and fruit. These are the things upon which the human body must exist. One man controls them. Nature gave them to all the people; but capitalism gives them to an individual. The individual says the people may have a small portion of these necessities of life if they will give him a certain valuable coin. They give the coin; they must, or die. He puts the coin out at interest; they consume the food. After a time he has all the coin, and they have nothing, because food cannot be put out at interest; the body needs it.

When they have nothing, they still grow hungry, and ask for more food. But without coin one cannot obtain food under capitalism, though there be vast quantities of it on the market. There is nothing left for the people to do but beg, steal or starve.

They are doing all these things in vast numbers. One of our latest investigators (not a Socialist) has concluded, as a conservative estimate, that there are no less than ten million people in the United States who live in chronic poverty. This does not include those workmen who are living and producing wealth in poverty, but those who are distinctly paupers.

With one man owning the grain market of the country, and ten million who must beg, starve or steal, we cannot say that we have reached a high degree of civilization, that we are intelligently organized. We are not. We must reach better conditions than this. We must work for a higher state of affairs. We must look toward a true civilization. We must give the multitude a better chance. What can we hope from these ten million—and their number is ever on the increase—in their control to society? Can any number of laws be stringent enough to save the innocent from their contamination? Can J. Ogden Armour, with all his millions, and all his machinery of protection, keep himself free from them?

What of the Czar of all the Russias? The cruelest laws, the most untiring repression could not extinguish the flames that his system created at the bottom of the abyss. True civilization has no abyss. Socialism is true civilization.—J. C.

"Tactics of the Masters"

In No. 482 will be Comrade Mills' reply to D. M. Parry. Parry was too busy to debate, but he can't run fast enough to get away from this article. It will be a masterly exposition of the "Tactics of the Masters" in Mills' own inimitable way. The National Education Association has been given the country with their literature. Mills and the Appeal will put a spike in Parry's gun that will shoot the Association as broad as Broad's Land up the ammunition wagon, boys, and let's play ball. Fifty cents per 100 copies, and the Appeal pays the freight.

THE SOCIALIST VOTE.

The following table, made up by Mr. W. J. Ghent, gives the official vote of the Socialist party for 1900 and 1904, with the percentages of gain, and of the total vote in each state. Arkansas, South Dakota and Kansas are the leaders in percentage of gain, while the six far western states, California, Montana, Oregon, Nevada, Washington and Idaho show the largest percentages of state votes. The figures for 1904 are authentic and final. Perhaps not so much can be said for some of the 1900; several of the 1900, the best authorities differ somewhat in their records of this vote:

State	1900	1904	Per cent. of total vote
Alabama	10,000	15,000	15
Arizona	2,000	3,000	15
Arkansas	1,000	2,000	200
California	7,500	20,000	267
Colorado	1,000	2,000	200
Connecticut	10,000	15,000	15
Delaware	500	1,000	200
District of Columbia	1,000	2,000	200
Florida	1,000	2,000	200
Georgia	1,000	2,000	200
Idaho	1,000	2,000	200
Illinois	10,000	15,000	15
Indiana	10,000	15,000	15
Iowa	10,000	15,000	15
Kansas	1,000	2,000	200
Kentucky	1,000	2,000	200
Louisiana	1,000	2,000	200
Maine	1,000	2,000	200
Maryland	1,000	2,000	200
Massachusetts	10,000	15,000	15
Michigan	10,000	15,000	15
Minnesota	10,000	15,000	15
Mississippi	1,000	2,000	200
Missouri	10,000	15,000	15
Montana	1,000	2,000	200
Nebraska	1,000	2,000	200
Nevada	1,000	2,000	200
New Hampshire	1,000	2,000	200
New Jersey	10,000	15,000	15
New York	10,000	15,000	15
North Carolina	1,000	2,000	200
North Dakota	1,000	2,000	200
Ohio	10,000	15,000	15
Oklahoma	1,000	2,000	200
Pennsylvania	10,000	15,000	15
Rhode Island	1,000	2,000	200
South Carolina	1,000	2,000	200
South Dakota	1,000	2,000	200
Tennessee	1,000	2,000	200
Texas	1,000	2,000	200
Utah	1,000	2,000	200
Vermont	1,000	2,000	200
Virginia	1,000	2,000	200
Washington	1,000	2,000	200
West Virginia	1,000	2,000	200
Wisconsin	10,000	15,000	15
Wyoming	1,000	2,000	200
Totals	601,466	602,321	318
Arkansas	1,000	2,000	200
California	10,000	15,000	15
Colorado	1,000	2,000	200
Idaho	1,000	2,000	200
Illinois	10,000	15,000	15
Indiana	10,000	15,000	15
Iowa	10,000	15,000	15
Kansas	1,000	2,000	200
Kentucky	1,000	2,000	200
Louisiana	1,000	2,000	200
Maine	1,000	2,000	200
Maryland	1,000	2,000	200
Massachusetts	10,000	15,000	15
Michigan	10,000	15,000	15
Minnesota	10,000	15,000	15
Mississippi	1,000	2,000	200
Missouri	10,000	15,000	15
Montana	1,000	2,000	200
Nebraska	1,000	2,000	200
Nevada	1,000	2,000	200
New Hampshire	1,000	2,000	200
New Jersey	10,000	15,000	15
New York	10,000	15,000	15
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Washington	1,000	2,000	200
West Virginia	1,000	2,000	200
Wisconsin	10,000	15,000	15
Wyoming	1,000	2,000	200

The administration has given 98 per cent of the school money for teaching Indian children to the Catholic church. The administration is thus paying the expenses of the clergy for their activity in transferring their allegiance from the democratic to the republican party. The protesters seem to have fallen into disfavor with the ruling powers.

THE ARMY PICTURE GALLERY.

Owing to a thousand and one complications having been gotten into the accounts which the pictures and biographies were sent in, also, delays in having the cuts made, the delivery of the pictures will be delayed. The tremendous volume of portable cuts rounded up to the publishing department the past year, the completion of the picture gallery will have to be delayed. We are asking for further delay. Early in March, comrades, and the book will be with you, as it looks now, perhaps a little sooner, and perhaps a little later, but do not lose your faith in the idea that we are going to get you the best of the year. The picture gallery has never and never will fail to make good.

The czar claims to rule by "divine right," but to a man up a tree it looks as though he ruled by his Cossack soldiery.

The New Orleans Daily Item says the city is overrun with thieves and robbers. So are all other cities, but the trouble is that they are sought for in the wrong places. They are usually the men in official position and in the control of industries. For instance, in the same issue the Item says that Canal street merchants permit the working girls but thirty minutes for dinner, when the laws say that they shall have one hour. There are thieves and robbers more to be dreaded than the few who sneak around to steal something. Those who openly defy the law and decency, because they are rich and powerful are the worst enemies of society. The little thieves are not in it with them as a public menace.

The Spokane, Wash., daily Press tells a pitiful story about Mr. and Mrs. A. Robbins, who reside on Boone avenue, whose baby lay unburied for two days because they had no money to pay for a box. The dead baby lay in the presence of the sick father and mother and another child sick with pneumonia! When an appeal was made to the city officials one of the brutes told them "that it was none of his business." In the same column with this was an account of the annual meeting of the Congregational church, in session in Spokane, at which the decorations cost \$1,200! And some people wonder why the working class do not attend church! And they claim to be Christian! "As you have done it unto the least of these, so you have done it unto me." Such is capitalism and its results. This is what you vote for when you vote the old tickets.

THIRTY workmen in Michigan go over into Canada and deposit their savings in the Canadian government savings banks. They know that these banks have the government behind them and never fail. If the hundreds of thousands who lost millions last year in Iowa had had postal savings banks there would not have been a dollar of loss to them. Forty-one of the banks failed, taking millions from the people. The bankers make all the laws of this country relative to banking, and will not permit any law creating a safe governmental banking system, as they know the people would never deposit a dollar with private banks and hence the bankers would not let the people's money to gamble with. See? Of course, you don't see, else you would repudiate the men you elect to congress who do the bidding of the bankers and other corporations—not the bidding of the welfare of the people.

What is an anarchist and a nihilist? H. R. Hartwell, of New York, Cal., writes: "An anarchist is one who does not believe in any law of man for the control of any other man. Tolstoy is an anarchist. Some anarchists would use force to break down the social structure—others, like Tolstoy, would not use force even to defend themselves against personal assault or pay taxes or vote or have anything to do with political or religious organizations.

The word nihilist is applied only to the revolutionists in Russia, and they bear the same relation to that government that the patriots' of our own revolutionary period did to the tyranny of King George. They have many varying shades of ideas as to what should replace the Russian despotism, but are a unit on that it should be torn down. Some hold to the Socialist idea of society, while others hold that a representative government like the United States should be established.

The teachings in every college in the land, like those in Russia, are making Socialists. Science is demonstrating the truths of the postulates of Socialism. Every ruler dislikes the universities just for this reason. Nearly all the professors are Socialist, or lean strongly that way; the students have their minds set against, and they take cognizance of passing current events, and the fact that they cannot ignore it. It slides into their studies and becomes an active factor in their mental atmosphere. See how many professors have been driven from colleges for actually teaching its principles. In every college there are little clubs of students who have taken up the study of revolutionary Socialism. The ignorant take no notice of it; only the wise "get next." For centuries the creeds had control of the teaching and kept the minds in a narrow groove, but the schools are now widening their sphere and are more and more getting the minds of the people. The laws of evolution are now being everywhere recognized as true, and this leads directly to the Socialist contention. For generations the Socialist arguments were ignored or made light of, just as was the law of evolution, but it is different today. Now the old school has to fight to continue its existence at all, and it is rapidly losing. Only a few years ago the Darwinian theory was passed up with a sneer about "man coming from the monkey!" Today it is taught in the primary schools. What a change! Socialism is marching right on the heels of this new light and is considered as almost as much important in the curriculum of knowledge. Truth is stronger than error and ever gains on error.

For an inside view of the damnable system under which we live read "The Jungle" by Upton Sinclair. Again in No. 482—see installment in No. 482—in order to give you time to get in your new subs.

The men in public office assert that it would be impractical for the people to operate the industries and instances the thieving propensities of public officials (themselves!) as evidence. Isn't it about time that self-confessed thieves were defeated for office? Or do the people prefer to elect men who publicly acknowledge that they are grafters and not to be trusted?

There will be an interval of one week between the first and second installments of "The Jungle." This is done to give all who read the first chapters a chance to subscribe and not miss the second installment. First installment in 482—second installment in No. 484.

The "QUESTION BOX" is now ready. It contains 125 questions about Socialism and answers, similar to those printed from time to time in the Appeal. Ten cents per copy, post-paid.



The answer of the Ruling Powers in the case of the children in Russia and Colorado.

MAYNARD, of Virginia, has introduced a bill in congress to pension ex-presidents \$25,000 a year for life. But to pension the working class, whose lives have been used up to keep the officials in