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The Agitation League

TODAY, upon the rocks of ages of conservatism the waves of Revolution are fiercely beating. All over the world, in every country, under every flag, in every clime and in every condition of society, the seething ferment of the Social Unrest boils and bubbles and dashes its gigantic breakers against the crumbling Systems of the Past.

In Russia, and all that vast composite of nations, in Norway and Sweden, in Japan and China, in England and in all the English possessions, in Germany and France and the United States, the storm clouds are rolling swiftly together, and the blinding flashes of lightning which illuminate the scene in the way of passing events, the thunderous explosions that promise rebellion against the existing governments, all presage clearly and plainly to the analytical mind that the Change of the Ages is now at hand.

This very day and this very hour will we see it. There is to be no hope deferred now—no make-shifts, no quack remedies. In every country, as you will observe by the long and detailed daily cables, the SOCIALISTS are rising swiftly into power.

Under every flag YOUR friends, your comrades and co-workers, are standing in the fiercest of the conflict, and guiding and directing and giving actual tangible value to the violent upheavals that are following each other so rapidly.

In Russia we stand amid the bombs and police and Cossacks, often at the cost of life; in England we march at the head of the unemployed; in Germany we command the army and chain and make futile the thirst for blood and make an unwise ruler stop short on the brink of war; in Italy and Spain and France we hold the balance of power, and our increasing strength promises the complete subjection of the government functions to the uses of the working class in the near future. And in all these nations, under all these varying circumstances, whether we speak this language or that, whether we speak it through the mouth of a man or a woman, there is but one demand made, and one only. And that demand is

SOCIALISM!

Your achievement of making it possible for your paper to issue an edition of 3,000,000 copies, considering the fact that the American campaign is purely educational, and must remain so as long as the opposition refrains from physical resistance, is the most remarkable thing that this world has ever seen. I have no doubt you could equal anything that Russia or any other country could do in the way of sanguine warfare—but it is to the interest of every one that we conduct this fight upon the only lines agreeable to a fully civilized people, and that is as a purely intellectual propaganda. This reduces it solely to a question of having the best economic program; and the best stated argument to propound it; and the ability to put it before the people.

These first two we have; the power to reach the public is only a question of finances.

For some two or three years past there has been in existence a band of Socialists called the Agitation League. Each member of this league pays in TEN CENTS weekly and this money is used to put out books and papers among the economically ignorant. We would like to have you enroll your name as a member—you can remit a dime each week, or forty cents a month, if you prefer. It is this sort of work that is waking this country up and making it take its place at the front as a nation of thinkers. Every man and every woman who would like to be of service to human kind can do this much, and the widening and deepening of the public mind and the public conscience is the greatest use to which you can put your money.

Let us have your name this week, with a remittance of ten cents or more. Address Agitation League, Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas.

MORRIS, the rebate general manager of the Santa Fe, was appointed to control the Equitable Insurance company to prevent rebates! Where are we at?

The total amount of jewelry returned for taxation in Mississippi is \$148,860! Which only gives official notice that the wealthy do not hesitate to perjure themselves to keep from supporting the government which they are continually denouncing the Socialists for opposing! Lordy! what a nice set these plutocrats are when it comes to upholding law and order!

WHEN one man raises rice and is paid in wages one cent for each twenty-five pounds, and another set of work people are charged two dollars for that same twenty-five pounds of rice, it is time there was another Boston tea party. Yet just such a condition exists and the government issues statistics proving it. What are you going to do about it? Sit down and imagine that the profit-mongers will remedy it? As well expect the insurance fakirs to stop stealing until they are forced to. Wake up, sluggard!

The class that so strenuously opposes Socialism because they say Socialists are opposed to government, is the very class that opposes government taking over the industries because they say that government cannot be trusted with such things! They have lots of confidence in government!

THERE never would have been any rebates given by railroads if the railroads had been public property, and all this graft and injustice, with its contingent expenses and bankruptcy to thousands, would not have occurred. But the people vote for conditions favorable to injustice, and hence injustice must appear.

ONE of the Vanderbilt gang ran over and killed a girl in Paris, and has been fined, sent to prison and adjudged \$4,000 for the girl's parents. Such an outrage on our nobility of wealth could never have been enacted in this country. The rich can accidentally kill all the people they want to and never go to jail—if the killed are poor. The President should declare war against France for the insult to our Gods of Gold.

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REVOLUTION IN ENGLAND.

Great oaks from little acorns grow—and revolutions are started from insignificant acts when the conditions are ripe. The whole world is trembling with suppressed expectancy and something portentous is in the air. The success of the general strike in bringing the Russian autocracy down was more effective than Europe's armies, supplied with modern machines for killing. The blood of all people is the same color, and once the oppressed begin to realize this, there will be something doing. The threat of a general strike in Austria has forced the government to concede the people universal franchise rather than face an uprising.

But even more portentous than the Russian situation is the one that is cabled from England. So desperate in their poverty have become the work people there, so general the lack of employment, that the women have started a revolution. Thousands of starving women, some carrying their scrawny babes to their dried-up bosoms, marched the streets regardless of police, and forced that great general of the robbers—Balfour, premier of England, to give them an audience. They demanded that if their husbands could not be given employment by the owners of factories that the government establish factories for them! And this well-fed parasite of a premier held up his hands in horror at the idea that the public should give employment—inferred that it were better that the women and children starve rather than adopt such a Socialistic program! He told them he saw no hope of relief! The women told him to come and live as they had to live and he would understand. But these rich robbers do not want to understand. The women held a street meeting and some of them found their tongues. They said they would not stop their march in rousing the people until every man had employment that would enable him to keep his wife and children! That threat is more dangerous than an invading army!

And this is what your capitalist society means; this is the treatment accorded those who make the nation's wealth: this is the degradation into which the people are plunged by those who roll in luxury and take to themselves the control of the world; and this system is nearing its end. England, the richest country, with its people starving by hundreds of thousands! There is plenty of wealth in England for all—but a few parasites have got possession of it and the many starve! And this condition is certainly coming to America as it has come to England—already in all our cities the conditions are getting more and more like they are in London and Paris and Berlin and St. Petersburg. Once get this movement into the minds of the people; once let the cry reach their dull ears that there shall come a time in which the men can have employment that will enable them to care for their wives and families, and the streets and highways of England will be filled with a desperate population that will fear nothing, and the structure of the robbers will go down—perhaps in chaos, like Rome, but it will go—and it ought to go. Too long have the people suffered at the hands of the criminal classes who control the destinies of nations. Labor is waking and labor will soon come into its own. Do you hear the rumbling of the coming earthquake? Are you deaf and blind to the meanings of the times?

THE "REFORM" WAVE.

While the people at the elections on November 7th showed that they are waking up to the fact that public affairs are more rotten than the insurance companies, and have turned down the rags in a number of places by an unprecedented and unexpected vote, they have simply elected another set of men who will be under the same favorable conditions for bribery—that is, the men they have elected do not propose to change the system that has produced these ill effects against which they have revolted. Congress is composed of just the same rotten material as they have turned down, and while only a few of its members have been convicted, the rest are tarred with the same stick, and helped to defend the rotten rings that have been temporarily upset. Will they carry their action further and upset the Depews, the Dietrichs, the Clarkes, the Gormans, the Penroses and others in the national congress? And if they do, will they turn out a republican one place and put in a democrat, and turn out a democrat in another and put in a republican? What good will that do? The men in both these parties believe in the system of capitalism that exists, and laws will continue to be made on the same principles as in the past, and conditions will remain as they now are, even if open violation of the law is not practiced. It is not the stealings of the corrupt officials that is making conditions hard and corruption rampant—it is the stealings of the owners of the industries in a legal way. All the corrupt officials in all the nation did not take from the people as much last year illegally as Rockefeller took legally. And behind Rockefeller are several thousands of lesser profit-mongers who took untold millions more. These are things that stalk the land with poverty, crime and misery. None of the people elected by the revolt at the recent election want to change the system so that these millionaires will have to do something useful or else go hungry. It is encouraging to note that the people are waking up and taking an interest in public affairs instead of remaining the dupes of the old party machines as they have been, but until they study and find out what is really the matter they can kick, and kick, and kick, and never get any relief. Private ownership of industries must be abolished or conditions will continue as they are. Until men are elected who are determined to do this political revolts will do no good.

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WHAT DO YOU GET ANYWAY?
What do you get out of life? Toil, feed, shoddy, shack and sleep? Isn't that about it? That's surely a great life for humans to live! Been that way about all your life, eh? And what promise of anything better? Do you believe that lives should be such a routine without the mixture of hope, and joy, and pleasures? What prospect can you look forward to for your children? What for the day of incapacity and old age? Are you not like dumb driven cattle—and as helpless under the industrial conditions? And do you not know that all this condition is because you who labor have left your political thinking to a set of men who have been using you for their advantage? Can you not see on every hand that those "who toil not, neither do they spin," are arrayed in the finest, while you plod in what they would crimson with shame to be seen in? And yet you work people produce everything that is produced. They tell you different—but they want to keep you ignorant and dependent. I know that you who are parents spend many hours thinking what your children can do to get on. It is so different than when you were young. There is no prospect of advancement for the young today except by becoming the slaves of capital—if they are fortunate enough to find some capitalist who will hire them. You know that conditions are getting harder year by year. You know that the workers get less days' work each year, and that goods are higher. You know that the future looks gloomy to you and you turn from the subject with a heavy heart. But still you refuse to see the connection between your condition and your votes. But your votes make your condition. There could be no monopolies if you did not vote for a system under which the are born, increase and flourish. Why not come with us who want to abolish the private graft in monopolies and still retain all the good in them? That the monopolists are so bitter against Socialism should cause you to wonder why. They are not bitter against the old parties. Why? Your interest will never be guaranteed by those who profit off you. You will have to look elsewhere for success. Come, and be men.

HOW WE WILL DO IT.
How are we going to do it? Well, not by putting men in office who do not want to make any change. We nominate and elect men who have studied the social problems, who not only see the errors and injustices of the present, but who have a definite idea of what conditions they want, and will work to that end. We do not believe in private corporations, and therefore, will grant no franchises to any set of men to enable them to exploit their fellows. We vote for men for office in whom we have confidence, because they oppose corporation rule in and out of season. We will not elect men who are attorneys for and exousers for corporation misrule. And we will keep a string on our candidates and put them out of office if they prove incompetent or unwilling to do the expressed will of the majority.

THE APPEAL HAS GOTTEN PEOPLE BUSY
printing and mailing out Socialist literature. Is it growing?

The Revolution in England

Gaunt, Hungry, Pale-Faced Women and Pinched, Starved Children Parade the Streets of London Town, Demanding Work for Husbands and Fathers.

"MUST ESTABLISH FACTORIES FOR STARVING POPULATION."

London, Nov. 6.—The specter of revolution stalked through the streets of London town today. Starving, pinched, pale-faced women—thousands of them; hundreds with puny, half-dressed infants in their arms—paraded in stammering columns to the office of the local government board to lay the distress and grievances of the capital's poor before the premier of the British nation.

They were the wives and other relatives of the army of the unemployed—an army that has starved, because there is no work for its hands, to the point of actual menace to the government. They came in enormous crowds from every end and part of London where the unfortunate masses of the population have their abode, determined that Premier Balfour should hear from their lips and judge as they passed in review of the terrible conditions that exist.

Crowds Are Defiant.
For the first time under any circumstances in the streets of London the "Marseillaise" was heard above the chaotic tramp of thousands of human feet as the procession advanced. Later in the day at a monster mass meeting Russia's reign of terror was pointed to as foreboding the situation that might confront England if the demands of the people be not heeded. The name of Balfour was hissed.

Out of the ranks of the shivering wives and daughters who had lost all timorousness in the face of starvation, bold women told Balfour that unless something be done speedily there would be bloodshed.
"Don't forget that hungry men are desperate men," exclaimed one of the speakers, and the rest had only one story to tell—expressed as eloquently by physical appearance as by word of mouth—of husbands out of work and starving wives and children.

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"Give our men work," was the plea of the leaders. "If the owners of factories have no work to offer, England must establish factories for its starving population."

Premier Balfour gave earnest attention to all that was said, and was most sympathetic in addressing the deputation. But, while acknowledging that the evil was very real, he had little to suggest in the way of alleviation except an expression of hope that charity would come to the aid of the unemployed.

In conclusion the premier said he deprecated the Socialist suggestion that industries should be started at the national expense for the benefit of the unemployed, as calculated to destroy the springs of enterprise and the energy of the nation.

See No Hope of Relief.
"Balfour's speech of despair" was the description of the premier's response to the appeal of the unemployed which the thirty delegates carried to their sisters in distress.

"Come and live with us for a few months," exclaimed Mrs. Crooks, wife of William Crooks, a labor party member of the house of commons, as the deputation was leaving the local government office. Several other women, laboring under the stress of great excitement, reiterated the invitation.

"I am well aware," said Premier Balfour as his visitors moved away, "that anything I have said could not be other than disappointing. The people have my genuine sympathy, and I feel most acutely the magnitude of the evil from which they are suffering."
"We have started an agitation," said Mr. Crooks, which will not cease until every man who wants work is supplied with sufficient to support his wife and children. A revolution in England will not be less effective than the revolution in Russia in securing the demands of the people."

The meeting unanimously adopted a resolution to continue the fight for the employment of those out of work, and the gathering broke up amid uproarious scenes and the singing of "The Marseillaise."

THE NEW YORK SUN YELLS "STOP, THIEF."

The New York Sun says that recently Mayor Dunne, of Chicago, gave the waiter a \$10 bill to pay his bill, and that the waiter did not show up again, and the mayor had him arrested and fined \$70. The Sun says this was wrong because the waiter was "an advanced Socialist" who was simply carrying out Dunne's plan of confiscation, as regards the street railways. The waiter was a republican, as are most of the high finance robbers who are looting the country. The Sun believes in confiscation, when it is applied by the capitalists to the working class. It supports thieves and defends them when they are notoriously guilty. Under capitalism thievery and graft are the rule, not the exception, and the untold billions now in the possession of the Grand Dukes of Business who are owners or associates of the Sun is what they have confiscated from those who have produced it. They defend every grafter in that corrupt city. If justice were done there would not be enough of the Sun's official partisans out of prison to man the public offices. Does the Sun reveal the real politics of the city and insurance grafters right under its nose? Not on your life. The Sun is a public enemy, lying because it is its nature.

A REFORM DEMOCRAT.

W. G. Barret, of Westchester county, N. Y., as register, was the man who bought supplies for the county. He bought 400 blank books for a little less than one dollar each and sold them to the county for \$22.50 each! Yes, the people can expect reform from the democratic donkey! Public office is a public graft. Under Socialism the public officers will be the foremen, managers and superintendents of the industries, and each official will produce the value of what he draws. But, then, you can't understand a system in which the salary drawers will earn in actual production what they receive! It would be preposterous!

NEVER write a letter unless you also enclose a piece of Socialist literature. The people are just hungry for something.

Comrade R. L. Nellis, of Chicago, Ill., won the ten-acre tract of land for the largest list of yearlies for the week ending November 10th.—143 names.

Once a week we sit calmly down and ascertain which hero has done the most sowing of the Socialist seed for the preceding week, as evidenced by the largest club which we have received from previous weeks. We then award to that sower a sum of money, and guarantee warranty title deed to TEN ACRES of generous land in the famous Ozarks, a country of perpetual plenty, of scalling skies, of warm waters, and agreeable summers. These ten-acre tracts are each and every one of them adapted to home purposes, and in return for a reasonable amount of work they will return you health and peace and material plenty. What has one to show after he has sacrificed it all in the daily chase? Usually nothing, financially, and ill-health. Why not take the generous bounty of one of these ten-acre tracts and live on unadulterated milk and pure cream, on fresh eggs and fruit, on fresh vegetables, on fresh meat, which you know is healthy and free from disease; upon honey and fruits and vegetables, the like of which, grown in the very vicinity of these ten-acre tracts, have repeatedly and easily landed the prizes in competition with all the world!

Remember, the man that sends in the largest club each week gets a deed to one of these ten-acre tracts.

Please read the rules carefully.

1. Ten acres of land will be given each week to the person that sends in the largest club of yearly subscriptions to the Appeal.
2. The week ends in each case at 4 p. m., on Friday.
3. Two or more persons cannot pool their work and have it count for one. Each individual must work alone.
4. The purchase of postal subscription cards do not count on this offer.
5. In case of a tie between contestants will settle the matter between themselves.
6. A contestant must not pay for the subscription of anyone else in order to swell his list.

DO YOU NEED MORE PROOF?

What proof have you that the war with Spain would have been averted but for the duplicity of the Administration?—J. E. Greenwood, Oakland, California.

Because the American people were in favor of recognizing the independence of Cuba, and that sentiment was expressed in all the papers and speeches of the time. But the government refused to do this, as it did for Panama, nor would it allow Cubans to buy munitions of war here, and the sloops that sneaked their guns were captured and their crews imprisoned. Seeing that public sentiment could not be stayed and that something must be done, the trust magnates who figured how they could make money by the war connived to precipitate a conflict, and hold Cuba after we had gotten it, until these trust pirates had cornered all the valuable franchises on the island—the railways, street cars, electric plants, water privileges, banking, and had gotten hold of millions of acres of its best land—then they turned over the island to that portion of the Cubans that had stood faithful to Spain—the property class. They are the partners of the American trust pirates in the ownership and operation of these important plants that give them control of all the other industries of the island. It has proven a dead sea apple to those who fought for years to free themselves from the tyranny of Spain. They are really worse off now than under Spanish rule, for they are being looted by the Americans, who virtually own their island, and who have the ferocity of hyenas for profits. Had this government acknowledged the independence of Cuba, the patriots of Cuba and those in sympathy with them in this country could have furnished the means to have driven Spain from the island. But there would have been no profit to the trust pirates in such a plan and they would have nothing of it. Proof? There has been nothing but proof from before the war began to the present time. Cuba is not free now. She is virtually a bond slave to the capitalists of this country, and cannot make laws that the majority want because of the conditions under which the trust magnates left her in relation to this country. Even in the Philippines the reports issued from there tell that the natives, who had fought Spain for a hundred years, say they are worse off than under the rule of the Dons. Tyranny is the same thing world over, in every age. The rulers prate of liberty, but they will permit the people to have none of it.

JUST MARK THE PREDICTION.

Did you notice that the price of wheat went down on receipt of news that the internal troubles of Russia were being pacified by the czar's backdown in the face of revolution? What of it? It means much to the farmers of this country. As soon as the new capitalist regime gets into working order in Russia capital will invade that country as it never has, and the farmers will next year be using modern machines instead of the ancient ones they now use, with the result that they will supply the world market and the price of wheat will fall to half what it is today. Just mark the prediction.

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Bebel's Great Speech before the German Congress. Remember the 22,000,000 do the work—and take the husk. Remember the 18,000 men of wealth simply "work the workers" and take the kernel.

America's Wealth Beyond the Wildest Dreams

IN KANSAS. At 100 railroad stations in the wheat belt are great piles of grain lying on the ground. Elevators are full and the railroads cannot furnish cars for shipments.



IN PATERSON, N. J. Mrs. Katherine Kelly, an aged woman living at No. 83 Jersey street, was taken yesterday to St. Joseph's hospital.

IN CHICAGO. Compelled by poverty to part with one of her twin babies, Mrs. Philomena Mosca, 397 LaSalle street, collapsed on the steps of the Harrison street police station yesterday.

IN DENVER, COLORADO. A mother came to the police station this morning with a six-month-old baby in her arms which she wants to give away.

After you have read the above paragraphs, taken at random from one day's mail, it will be a pleasure, doubtless, to read the following extract from an article printed in the Chicago Tribune, written by F. C. Monaghan, of the United States department of commerce and labor:

Half a century ago the wealth of the United States was estimated at a little more than \$7,000,000,000. At the present time it is placed at \$110,000,000,000. During this half century the population of the country multiplied by less than three and one-half, while the wealth multiplied by a little more than thirteen.

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The Funny Side

In a special election for parliament at Nevers, France, the Socialist beat his opponent more than two to one. This was held by the opposition before. Grows? Well, just a few.

From the dual monarchy, however, there come good tidings for our Socialists. Dr. Viktor Adler, the leader of the Austrian comrades, has been elected by 25,349 votes to the sacred conclave of the reichsrath, and has, therefore, joined the happy family of Socialist M. P.'s.

What is life, anyway? I asked an old colored man the other day. "Why, boss," he replied, scratching his woolly head, "life am jess er comin' in one door and gwine out another."

While the laborer works eight or ten hours a day the mortgage on his home works twenty-four. The mortgage doesn't belong to the union and always has a job.

The capitalist will tell you that he makes his dollars work for him. That's just a bit of his pleasantry. It is you that is working for him. He knows it, but you don't.

Euclid was bragging of his mathematical abilities. "But," we asked, "why do the figures of every candidate prove that he will win?"

Since the imprisonment of the Beef Trust officials, you have noticed a marked reduction in the price of beefsteaks—haven't you?

This is the way they register in New York: "W. Astor and man." Yet we do not have servants and masters in America, you know.

Your Contribution to the Trust Fund will be of special value just now, at this time probably the most critical in our history.

EVERYBODY ought to fit themselves out with a little lead which they have a chance. It will never be any cheaper than it is now, and our ten-cent copy could be secured for a few cents more.

Local organized at Randolph, Tex.; nine members. During the month of October local Denver was held in its headquarters, 437-39 north of the very best Socialist literature.

CONSIDERING the fact that our local was organized about a month ago, and that we now have twenty-two, we feel that we are doing as well as could be expected.

Across the Sea

These meetings were backed by the workers, who refused to work until their demands had been granted.

The capitalists who conducted the war against the Boers in South Africa recently imported forty thousand Chinese coolies to work the mines cheaply.

The Social Democratic party of Germany, at its last congress, voted 288 to 14 in favor of declaring a general strike, if necessary, to protect the present franchise of the working class.

The Socialists of Hungary, taking advantage of a mistake on the part of the Austrian minister of the interior, called a general strike in favor of universal suffrage.

The German empire, although nominally a constitutional monarchy, is in all intents and purposes an autocracy.

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John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, the largest labor organization in the United States, says:

"The average wage-worker has made up his mind that he must remain a wage-worker. He has given up the hope of a kingdom to come, where he himself will be a capitalist."

The Social Pyramid

BY FRÉD D. WARREN

F. A. Vanderlip, vice-president of the National City Bank, New York (Rockefeller's leading financial institution)—said in a speech before the Commercial Club, Chicago, October, 28, 1905:

The new industrial order has made a new social order. There is today no such thing as industrial independence possible for a workingman. The moment he gets out of harmony with the whirl of the industrial machine, the moment that sickness overtakes him and accident injures him or old age reduces his power to keep in step with the industrial march, his condition is likely to become incomparably more unfortunate than would have been the case under similar circumstances in earlier times.

THERE are over six million families in the United States with incomes of less than \$400 a year. There are nearly six million more with incomes of less than \$900.

These twelve million families comprise the bulk of our population—over 60,000,000 in fact. There are 22,000,000 work people in this country who have no proprietary interest in the tools with which they work, nor in the land on which they live.

These twenty-two million propertyless work people—embracing three-fourths of the men, women and children of the nation—form the two great pillars of the social pyramid. On their shoulders rests the entire edifice.

You will readily perceive this if you will consider that all the wealth comes first from the ground—the result of the labor of the miner, the farm hand and the farm tenant.

It then passes over to the machinist, the factory worker and the railroad employe. It takes a thousand shapes and becomes useful articles.

These twenty-two million work people must not only provide for their own wants—illegally supplied though they be—but they must hand up to the class above—embracing the landlord, the manufacturer, the captain of industry, the speculator, and, finally, to the small group of capitalists who top the pyramid—the cream of the wealth they dig from the earth.

It requires no great amount of mental effort on your part to understand that the working class produces the wealth—that even the direction of the great industries is no longer the function of the capitalist, but is left to salaried superintendents and foremen. The marketing is left to salaried salesmen, and salaried lawyers untangle the legal snarls.

The capitalist proper has become a parasite—absorbing wealth but giving nothing in return.

The time was when the men who tilled the soil or worked in the mines could lift themselves up by perseverance and industry to the level next above, and from there, once in a million, to the top round—but today—

"The average wage-worker has made up his mind that he must remain a wage-worker. He has given up hope of a kingdom to come, when he, himself, will be a capitalist," not because he lacks ambition, and energy, and hope, but because—

"The new industrial order has made a new social order. There is today no such thing as industrial independence possible for the workingman. The moment he gets out of harmony with the whirl of the industrial machine, the moment that sickness overtakes him and accident injures him, or old age reduces his power to keep step with the industrial march, his condition is likely to become incomparably more unfortunate than would have been the case under similar circumstances in earlier times," when land was free and men with two hands and an ordinary amount of brains could go into the wilderness and make a place for themselves, and in their old age find that the virgin soil which they had reclaimed was now worth a yearly income beyond their earliest dreams. But there is still another reason: Under the capitalist system of production, wealth concentrates into fewer and fewer hands—and enslaves more and more of the population.

Now, the question I want to put to you fellows who are digging in the trenches and carrying the burden of the world on your shoulders, is this:

"ARE YOU CONTENT?"

The men higher up on the rounds of the social ladder say that you are satisfied. BUT ARE YOU? Does the situation, as outlined by the artists, and reinforced by figures from your government reports, and supported by statements of John Mitchell, labor leader, and Vanderlip, head of the greatest financial institution in the United States, appeal to you as a condition which should for all time prevail?

If you have an ounce of the spirit which prompted your forefathers to resent "taxation without representation," you will answer with an emphatic "NO!"

You will then ask: "Is there a way out?" And I will tell you confidently there is a way out.

SIMPLY STEP FROM UNDER THE PYRAMID—refuse to longer be the mudsills of the social structure—stand forth free—free to work and free to use all your hands produce.

Imagine, if you can, the consternation of the well-groomed gentlemen who ride on your backs when the jolt of your rebellion reaches them. When they reach down for their share of the good things they find only Mother Earth—and that means that they must perform some useful social service in exchange for the necessities, comforts and luxuries of life.

You are nearly eighty million strong—the men at the top of the pyramid but a mere handful. Their strength lies in your cowardice—your fear—your supposed impotence!

The work people of Russia laid down their tools and told the aristocrats to do the work. One of them tried it for a few hours and stoked his own engine for sixteen miles. The mighty czar trembled in his palace—and there was no food for him—and no fuel. The wheels had stopped—the mudsills refused longer to be the mudsills.

The minister of finance was in close consultation with the Morgans of our own beloved United States—the men who sit up close to the throne at the top of OUR social pyramid—and they were laying their plans to rivet more firmly on the shoulders of the Russian men of work the chains of their industrial degradation.

The telephone bell rang. The minister of finance stepped to the receiver. His face blanched as he heard the news. He turned to the surprised Americans:

"Gentlemen, the old order has passed away!"

You workers of America have not only the power of these Russian peasants—but you have besides the ballot—which in Russia is the immediate aim of the proletariat, and for which they are willing to sacrifice their lives and their families.

You have the power to shake the incubus from your shoulders and assume the reins of government, and mould it to enjoy leisure and comfort and luxury your purposes and to your will—and—the just reward of Labor.

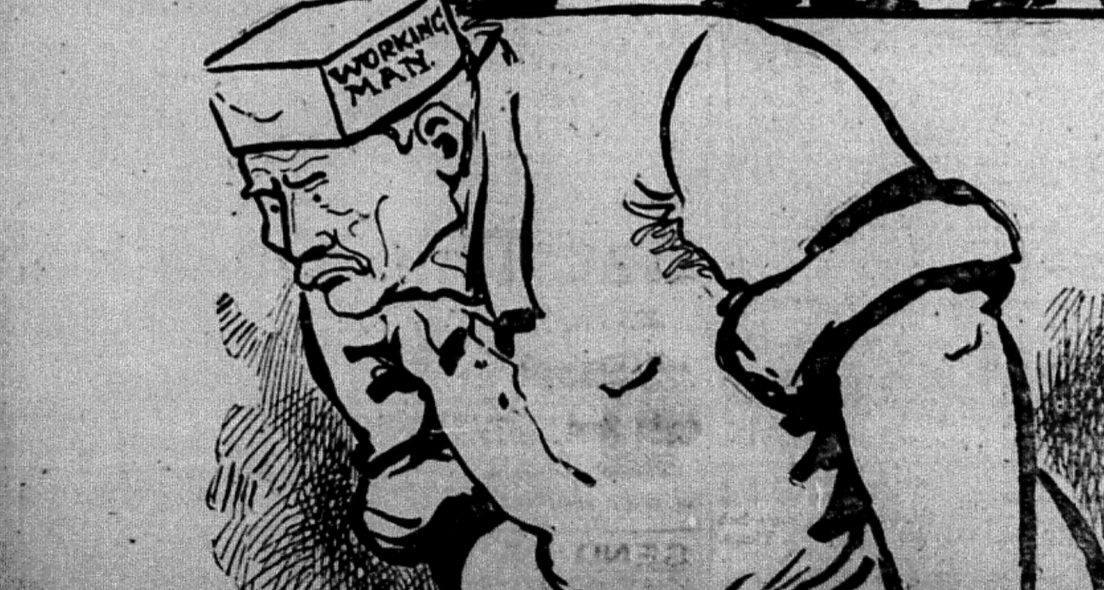
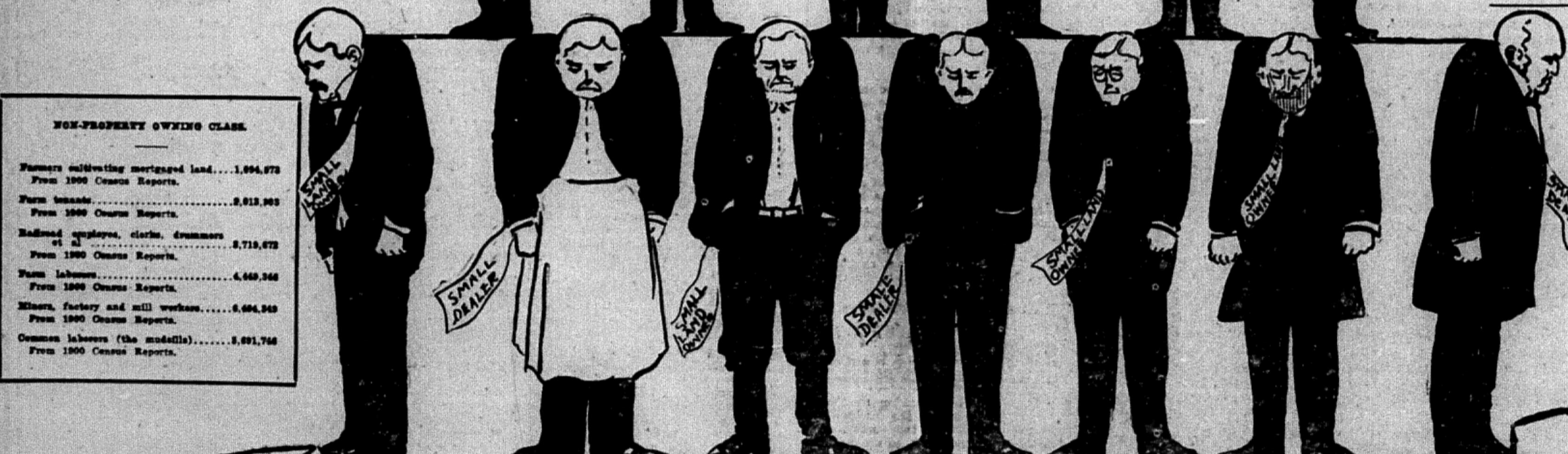
Will you do it?

NON-PROPERTY OWNING CLASS.

Farmers cultivating mortgaged land.....	1,094,873
From 1900 Census Reports.	
From tenants.....	8,813,983
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Railroad employes, clerks, drummers et al.....	8,719,672
From 1900 Census Reports.	
From laborers.....	6,469,348
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Miners, factory and mill workmen.....	6,604,348
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Common laborers (the models).....	3,881,746
From 1900 Census Reports.	

THE MEN WHO OWN THE NATION.

Captains of Industry.....	75
From Moody's "Truth About the Trusts"—a Wall Street publication.	
Men worth over \$1,000,000.....	2,300
List compiled by N. Y. World.	
Men of wealth in the United States, including the above.....	15,000
From the "Financial Red Book of America."	



THE SO-CALLED MIDDLE CLASS.

Members small corporations.....	500,000
Estimated from census reports—1900.	
Individual and partnership employes.....	573,703
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Merchants—wholesale and retail.....	842,137
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Small land holders.....	1,313,703
From 1900 Census Reports.	
Men engaged in professional service.....	1,264,737
From 1900 Census Reports.	



To the Reader—Put this page in a conspicuous place.

CONSUMPTION CURED BY Lung-Germine

Not just one case alone but hundreds of cases have been given up, where the doctors had pronounced them to have forever closed upon them. We will send you hundreds of letters from every part of the Union, showing the results of Lung-Germine.

READ THE ONE.

Mr. Wm. Schmidt, of 1904 Coleman St., St. Louis, Mo., writes: I had Consumption in its worst form, and was given up by the doctors. I saw your ad for Lung-Germine, and I bought a box and tried it. I am now well, and I have a family of eight children to care for. Today I am well and strong. If anyone has a doubt about this statement, I am able to furnish proofs from different hospitals and doctors and other reliable men.

Absolutely Guaranteed
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Lung-Germine, the great germ destroyer, was discovered by an old German scientist, and has cured hundreds of cases of consumption, bronchitis, asthma and catarrh in Germany and in this country.

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If you have consumption or any of the symptoms mentioned above, buy Lung-Germine at once. You may have a FREE trial treatment sent you at once, together with a booklet on the treatment and care of consumption by simply sending in a copy of this paper.

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Your life may be at stake. Your letter may save you months of torturing illness and prolong your life to a good old age. To what extent you are in many cases, will be determined by Lung-Germine Co., 1180 Weber Bldg., Jackson, Michigan.

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Lincoln on Capital and Labor.

Message to Congress, December, 1861.

"There is one point, with its connections, not so hackneyed as most others, to which I ask a brief attention. It is the effort to place capital on an equal footing with, if not above, labor in the structure of government. It is assumed that labor is available only in connection with capital, that nobody labors unless somebody else, owning capital, somehow, by the use of it, induces him to labor. This assumed, it is next considered whether it is best that capital shall hire laborers, and thus induce them to work by their own consent, or buy them and drive them to it without their consent. Having proceeded thus far, it is naturally concluded that all laborers are either hired laborers, or what we call slaves. Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."

HOW THE WORK PEOPLE ARE ROBBED.

LABOR is the only commodity which, by its own exertion, applied to other commodities, can reproduce itself and more. The merchant may buy \$100 worth of goods and sell them for \$110—but no wealth has been added to the world's supply. The goods and money remain as before—except that they have changed hands. If society were conducted on this basis it would bankrupt inside of six months. But how different is the result when the employer buys 100 days' labor, for, say, \$300, and \$200 worth of raw material. He now has \$500 invested. Labor transforms itself and the raw material into articles of use, and the employer places the goods on the market. He sells the total product for \$600, or \$700, or \$800, according to his ability to control the selling price. He is, therefore, ahead \$300, or \$500, or \$500 on the transaction. He has made that much "profit" which the Socialist calls surplus value. Even though this particular individual employer be forced to sell his goods which have cost him \$500 for less, there has been added to the wealth of society value to the extent of 100 days' human labor—less the actual cost of maintaining that labor. The increase does not go to the laborer, nor to this particular capitalist, but is absorbed by some other capitalist, who is more shrewd than the manufacturer in this particular case. This surplus-value (represented by the difference between the wages paid and the final price of the goods to the consumer) goes to swell the funds in the hands of the capitalist class, and reappears as capital, which is again used in the never-ending round of exploitation.

IT DOES SEEM FUNNY, DOESN'T IT?

THE dividends disbursed November 1st, in New York, were \$15,000,000, an increase of one million over the same month of last year. Among the companies which show an increase, says Dun's Review, is the New England Cotton Yarn Company, of Fall River. It is interesting to note this increase in dividends of this concern in connection with the great textile strike of last year, when it was developed that men and women and children were actually starving on the meager wage paid, and struck against a further reduction. It seems past comprehension that men with brains will permit the means of life to be held as private property, subject to the whim of a few individuals, responsible to no one but themselves. A job today is as necessary to the existence of 99 per cent of our population as the very air we breathe. Then why permit the job to be controlled by irresponsible men? Would you acquiesce in a proposition to permit the supply of air to pass into the hands of a syndicate with a meter on your mouth and on the mouths of your family? You would undoubtedly fight it hard, and would count no sacrifice too great to prevent the consummation of such a deal. And yet there is no difference in the one and the other in the ultimate results.

THE PLAY WAS INDECENT.

THE police of New York protect the prostitutes of that city and garner many dollars from their unfortunate victims. The gilded dens of vice are depicted on the stage and the police pass it by—but when a man with the power of Shaw steps to the front and tears away the mask and shows the horrors of the traffic—shows that innocent girls are debauched and ruined and started on the road to hell because of inadequate wages paid by department stores and factories—ah! that is different. It IS indecent. Nothing could be truer. Says one New York critic:

"Mrs. Warren's Profession" is an intellectual and unnecessary and cold-blooded discussion of a pestilential issue. It is an effort to set before unthinking men and women, by means of the footlights, the putrefaction of social life. It is undoubtedly a true picture, but it is the sort of picture that few want to look at, and that many should not be allowed to look at. "And should not be allowed to look at." The czar of Russia tried hard to keep the lid on and prevent the world from getting a glimpse of the seething mass beneath, but it flew off—and so, too, it will in this case. The action of the police will cause thousands to read and witness "Mrs. Warren's Profession," which lays bare the "putrefaction of social life."

GIRL SLAVE MURDERED BY HER MASTER.

GIRL Slave Murdered by Her Master." No, this did not happen in Turkey or China, or the interior of Africa. The incident reported under this heading occurred in a house on West Twenty-eighth street, New York. Maybe the reader has been laboring under the delusion that slavery does not exist in the United States. Banish the thought. I can assure you that it does—a slavery more abject than any form of debased servitude which ever existed before, so far as our historical record goes. Fifty years ago the youth of America entered the slave marts of the South and purchased a comely lass of tawny color for \$1,000 or \$1,500. The economic interest of the master prevented him from abusing his chattel as the white slaves of New York and other cities are abused by their masters today. Girl slaves—healthy and physically attractive—now cost from \$10 to \$50. The price fluctuates according to the demand for factory hands in the industrial market. Today, so fierce is the struggle for existence, that from 500,000 to 400,000 girls—many of them well educated, well bred and of the best families in the country—are forced to the slave brothels of the great cities, there to become the playthings of the scions of the Grand Dukes of Business. The road downward is swift—and it is seldom that one of these girls retains for two years those physical charms which make her attractive to the wealthy slave. She is then kicked out on the streets to become the property of the human vultures that prey on the unfortunate. And the strange part of all this is that the fathers and brothers of these girls vote to perpetuate the system which condemns them to slavery. The following paragraph is taken from the report of the "Committee of Fifteen" appointed to investigate the causes of sexual slavery in Copenhagen:

"It is a sad and humiliating admission to make, at the opening of the Twentieth century, in one of the greatest centers of civilization in the world, that in numerous instances it is not passion or corrupt inclination, but actual physical want (poverty) that impels young women along the road to ruin.

We often say of some man: "What an original way he has of expressing his thoughts." His originality lies in the fact that he expresses himself instead of trying to express some one else.

The great masses have been taught that it is not necessary for them to understand, but only to believe. When a few try to understand they are called heretics, infidels and dangerous agitators.

Go into any town and, if you wish to know how many thousands of dollars the richest man in it is worth, count the number of families that live in poverty and you can make a fairly good estimate.

To convince another that you are right and he is wrong is not a sign of superior wisdom; on the other hand, real wisdom expresses itself in the ability to comprehend an error and acknowledge it.

When the capitalist places a red flag over the few possessions of his slave and tells them to satisfy some "legal" claim, he views it with complacency, but when the slave hoists the red flag—that's different.

The animal nature in man has evolved to a point where it expresses itself in a more refined manner, that's all. The stone hatchet has been replaced by a "process" called "private ownership"—the result is the same.

Collier's is making a big fight on the matters and vendors of patent medi-

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Profits develop into taxes when the proportions develop into trusts.

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Warm Biscuits.

Win? Socialism win? Indeed! Will the sun rise tomorrow?

Habit is what keeps people doing the same old things in the same old way. Thought is what makes people do better things in better ways.

"It is a dirty bird that befores its own nest," but what can we say of the wage workers who vote their industrial masters into political power?

The world moves and keeps on moving. Some people stand right where their fathers and grandfathers placed them. That is why they get left.

Some people reason mostly with their alimentary canals. They have never learned what their brains are for. In that respect Socialists are different.

Republican and democratic spellbinders will not enter into public debate with Socialists. Reason why: It would be too much like debating against the multiplication table.

Whenever the working people roll up one million votes for Socialism in the United States then the legislature, the courts, the president and the governors will begin to scratch their heads and listen.

Graft? Well, what's the matter with graft? It is the very life and soul of capitalism, which would die if graft did not keep it alive. Honest, now, what are rent, interest and profit but forms of graft upon labor?

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INHARMONY AND INDIVIDUALISM.

Did you ever notice things as you walk along? You will find cement pavements, brick pavements, stone pavements, and no pavements. You will find wooden streets, stone streets, brick streets, asphalt streets and mud streets. You will find brick houses, stone houses, iron houses, wooden houses, high houses, and low houses, shanties and palaces. Such harmony! Beautiful, isn't it? That is the result of conflicting private interests. Society—all the people—finally paid for all these things, but they took no collective interest in the making of them. If society were to set its workmen to building a city from foundation up, do you think the architects would lay out such abortions as all the cities now are? You know they wouldn't. Then, when you people pay the bills, why don't you exercise some sense in having things done right? If there were one city built upon scientific principles, as the skilled architects and builders today know how to do, it would be an eighth wonder of the world, and it would attract as many visitors as the world's fair. We will do things differently when we get Socialism. We will do things collectively, not individually, and one glance at such a system would make you ashamed of this one you live under.

What the Other Side is Doing

Oscar A. Baker, ex-senator of Indiana, is wanted on a charge of bribery. The sheriff of Marion county has offered \$1,000 reward for his apprehension. He was a republican politician and opposed to Socialism.

The First National bank, Mansfield, Ill., closed its doors on October 30th. Its depositors asked for their money, and it couldn't pay. The cashier was \$30,000 short. By all means put your money in the banks.

The packers say that Garfield promised that they should not be prosecuted! And that is the kind of "commissioner" that the president appoints to protect the people! Garfield should be prosecuted instead of being prosecutor.

The net earnings of the United States Steel corporation—a benevolent institution—were \$31,000,000 for the past year—this is about \$125,000,000 per year—or several times the original amount of money invested in the steel and iron business.

The Drivers' Telegram, Kansas City, is authority for the statement that three million acres of land of the Union Pacific railroad and will thus own an empire on which to raise cattle for their own packing. But then we are told that big farms are not increasing!

China is to have a constitution. The nobility is now studying the constitution of this country, to copy after it. The monarchs have discovered that we have a much better form for skinning the

people than the old king methods. What a compliment to our institutions when kings prefer it to their own!

Former State Senator Emmons, of Kern county, California, was convicted of receiving a bribe in connection with a building and loan association of which he was the head, and is now doing time in the penitentiary. Emmons was but a small grafter—hence his conviction. He got away with as much swag as MacCurdy or Paul Morton, he would be living on Fifth avenue, New York, with the governors and presidents as his especial friends.

It now develops that James R. Garfield, the Commissioner of Corporations, promised the beef packers immunity from prosecution if they would tell how they held up the American people. This is much like the train robber who held up the fast mail and rifled the contents of the mail pouches. After securing the booty, and when the officers were hot on the trail, he made a proposition to them that he would tell all he knew of the robbery if the officers would let him keep the booty and guarantee him immunity from arrest.

For the purpose of fighting the International Brotherhood of Teamsters a corporation has been organized by the New York Team Owners' association. Announcement that the Interstate Teaming company had been formed was also made. Henry C. Hunter, secretary of the New York Team Owners' association, said the new company would amalgamate trucking interests in New York and New Jersey. Thomas O'Connell, secretary of the Chicago Team Owners' association, was in New York last week to amalgamate the New York and Chicago associations.

The German government is going to make the big insurance companies refund to the policy-holders all their premiums paid, because the investigations show that they were obtained under false representations. But this government! No, it is supported by the campaign funds from such. No, no, my boy. We do things differently in this country. We are a free people! Even poor impoverished Germany has spirit! But you shouldn't overlook the fact that Germany has within its border 3,000,000 Socialist voters.

Secretary Bonaparte has summarily discharged a machinist in the navy yard because he refused to rent a room to a petty officer in the navy. The machinist had too much respect for his family for the association—but the secretary is the boss, you know. Wonder how Bonaparte would like to be forced to rent one of his rooms to the petty officer? It will come yet that the citizens will be forced to quarter soldiers in their homes, as is done in Europe. Yes, we are a great and free people, and Socialism, that would protect the citizens against boss rule, would make them slaves!

The Farmers' National bank of Kingfisher, Okla., has gone into bankruptcy. The government has appointed a receiver. It has always been a mystery to my dull intellect why it is that when a bank fails the government can be trusted to appoint a receiver and, in the name of the United States, wind up the business or put it on its feet—that when a private enterprise breaks down the public can remedy the fall, but can't be trusted with doing the banking business in the first place! But then, a fool Socialist is not expected to understand such intricate things as banking and government.

Senator Clark, who bought a seat in the United States senate, paying \$10,000 each to fifty members of the legislature, has closed down his mining works rather than pay his work people enough to live on. Think of that, and then what you have done with your votes. You help to put him in the senate, because you help support the parties that did. When the working mules get onto the value of their votes they will cease to strike for higher wages—they will make the mines public property, and the Clark will have to do an honest day's work for an honest day's pay. Give it to them, Clark. They like it.

The government inspectors permit great bank grafts to exist and rob the people when they know they are bankrupt—the Enterprise National of Pittsburgh, for instance, which has been bankrupt for years. From recent developments it appears that the People's United States bank at St. Louis was perfectly safe and will pay out in full, but that a fraud order by the postal system was issued against it and it was blown into the hands of a receiver because he was holding much money. It looks like the government is being operated solely for the bank and other trusts. E. G. Lewis, the banker, proposes to establish a dollar daily paper in St. Louis since the postal department refuses him the second-class privileges of the mail on his Woman's Magazine, which he has to send out stamped each month, and that, too, without a chance to meet the apparently unjust charges upon which it was denied the mails. Our people are getting a taste of Russian autocracy.

The Missouri Pacific is holding a series of social functions for the benefit of its telegraphers, with whom it is well pleased. These gaieties are known as snowball soirees, so called because the company hands in its own snowballs, and by this sign the telegrapher learns that his services are no longer needed. The holder of the snowball can then go South for the winter, or to Southern California, or to hell, so far as the Missouri Pacific is concerned, and get his living the best way he can; usually by begging. The telegraphers, however, vote by great and booming majorities to have the railways owned by private individuals, whose profits lie in the telegraphers' misfortunes. So they are really getting what they vote for. "But," you object, "even the government would have to reduce the cost if business fell off." But business run as it is based upon the requirements of the public, and it never falls off. It always increases as the population grows. You never hear of the postal force being reduced; do you?

In the old days men made idols and bowed down and worshipped them. Today they make systems and do likewise.

COMING NATION



Army Notes

California—"always in it." Peabody, of St. Louis, Mo., turns one of his regular tricks.

Comrade Bryant, of Elmwood, Wis., gets in with a bunch of five.

Comrade Bell, of Braxton Miss., remembers us with a club of twelve yearlies.

Comrade Davis, of Memphis, sunny Tennessee, touches us up with a club of five.

Bunch of five for a year will cost you a dollar, and you need them in your business.

Comrade Johnson, of Robertson, Wyo., bluffs us one on the left eyebrow. Seven yearlies.

Comrade Kamper, of Glasgow, Mont., nabbed six of the untrifled the other day, to our complete satisfaction.

Comrade McBride, of Newburyport, Mass., prescribed the Celebrated Appeal Economic Tonic for five more new invalids this week.

Comrade Lindsay, of Waynesville, N. C., turned out with his artillery the other day and the shelled jungles gave up eight of the living dead.

Comrade Jones, a director in the Harrison Realty and Finance Company, of Columbus, O., nailed sixteen of them at a Debs meeting there recently.

Comrade Fields, of Middletown, W. Va., gets to the front with a club of four. West Virginia is, and has been, doing great work in spreading the gospel.

"I have just awakened to the fact that Socialism is the way whereby the working man can escape from the bondage of capitalism."—Guy Fain, Cleveland, Okla.

If you receive a pink paper your time is out and you should reek at once. Always get three more to come in with you and your own will cost you but a quarter.

Comrade Selman, of Beckville, Tex., gets in with a club of five, accompanied with a large bodyguard of Texas clubs. Texas is surely delivering the goods in these days.

Comrade Tibbitts, of Everett, Wash., scalped five of the enemy the other day. This scalping habit has become so fixed with the Washington gang that we now look upon it as one of their fixed principles and rights.

Comrade Fowler, of Deer Island, Ore., gives Socialism a boost in his locality to the extent of four new names. We expect that you will look after your territory—Fowler can't be everywhere at once.

Comrade W. H. Allen, M. D., of Trinidad, Colo., recently visited a little mining camp at Engleville, Colo., three miles from Trinidad, where he practically landed the whole town by securing forty yearlies to the Appeal.

Comrade Townsend, of Smithville, Ont., touches us up with a renewal of his bundle of five for a year, an order for twelve copies of the celebrated Warren's world-famous book, "Suppressed Information," and a dollar contribution to the Trust Edition. It's "The Only Way."

Comrade Strey, of New Albany, Pa., orders the material for painting the pictures of the Co-operative Commonwealth in the minds of ten people. When that work of art hangs in the brain cells of a majority of the people, then the real golden age of man will dawn—and not before. Do your part—do it well—do it now!

Club of four from Comrade Jolley of Tropic, Utah. "He must be a Tropical Jolley," remarked the Joke Editor, with a deprecating air, as though he knew the joke was so feeble that it would have to take medicine to stand alone. Even the office bull dog hardly felt that it would be worth while to remove a chunk of the Joke Editor's anatomy from his person in order to teach him that he must not monkey with the Appeal Army.

Comrade Branaman, of Elk City, Okla., turns calmly up with a club of five. Of course he isn't the only one—he is flanked and outflanked and surrounded and completely bottled up with myriads of other Oklahoma clubs, sent in by that energetic band of jaspers who seem to think that no one should be permitted to exist without a copy of the Appeal in the house. We heard once that a man came very near being lynched down that way who didn't want to subscribe and was indiscreet enough to voice his belief.

Comrade Koengetter, of Camden, N. J., tackled four yearlies on behind his name and let it come. The combination bowled over the Subscription, Army and Society Editors, tore a big hole in one end of the wall, and was bitten by the office bull dog before he had time to diagnose just what it was. When he found out that he had bit a worker's efforts he bounded on to the Religious Editor, who is now gathering material for a book to be issued later, entitled, "What I Know About Hospitals." No more of that, Mr. Koengetter, if you please.

Comrade Theoppe, of Coldwater, Mich., gets in with a bunch of four yearlies. "I wish you would go up to Coldwater," said the Managing Editor to the Sporting Editor, and work up a subscription campaign, with Theoppe as the center field. "I don't want to go to any town with a name like that," replied the Sporting Editor. "I am convinced that Theoppe can get everyone's subscription without me. I am not very well, anyway, and have to be very careful of my diet. I am afraid I couldn't get the right sort of supplies in a town of that name. It has a suspicious sound," concluded the Sporting Editor, as he dashed out on a pretended errand, with a view to escaping further argument.

Comrade Eckwall, cashier of the Falun, Nas, State bank, gets to the front with four more names and a contribution of

four dollars to the Trust Edition. Eckwall says that he has no objection to the way we bounce on to the banking business, and we can assure him that the number of bankers who take his view of the matter is large and growing daily. We never spare a line of business simply because we have workers in it—in fact, we get the largest per cent of our inside information from men who expect to see the comparison made between their occupation and what that occupation would be under Socialism. Most all of us can see the wrongs in something we are familiar with. For instance, we can tell you that the average editor is an ignoramus, often venal and corrupt, because he has to be. And all of us have to comply with existing conditions, though we may loathe them. For instance, the Appeal has to comply with the usual publishing requirements of selling advertising space, though it does not want to do so. But we don't sell our opinions.

APPEAL AGITATION LEAGUE.

The following is a list of contributions made to the League lately, by comrades who are always in it when it comes to boosting for Socialism:

- I. Kennedy, Vacaville, Calif. \$100
- C. M. Landers, San Francisco, Calif. 5.00
- James Weston, Moody, Calif. 1.00
- S. L. Hogan, Mariposa, Calif. 1.00
- C. F. Kirby, San Francisco, Calif. .40
- C. P. Anderson, Fair Oaks Bridge, Calif. 1.00
- F. D. Johnson, Los Angeles, Calif. .50
- Martin Rogers, Oakland, Cal. 1.00
- C. F. Kirby, San Francisco, Cal. .50
- M. Franklin, Pueblo, Colo. 1.00
- C. B. Stone, Axtell, Colo. 1.00
- J. P. Buck, Colorado Springs, Colo. 1.00
- F. N. McQuarrie, Thomasville, Colo. .50
- Wm. Larsen, Miami, Fla. .15
- L. B. Platt, Denaud, Fla. 1.00
- S. S. Fletcher, Magdalene, Fla. 1.30
- W. C. Hawkins, Poetaville, Ida. 1.15
- C. C. North, Kewanee, Ill. .10
- S. D. Kelly, Great Bend, Kans. 1.00
- Andrew Raeseler, Isabel, Kans. 5.20
- C. Vis, La Crescent, Minn. .10
- H. N. Hendrickson, Crookston, Minn. 1.00
- W. C. Wagener, St. Louis, Mo. 2.00
- C. Williamson, Frankfort, N. Y. 1.00
- W. N. Patterson, Zanesville, O. 2.00
- J. B. Varselman, Lockland, O. 1.00
- Chas. Wolfrom, Elmwood Place, O. 1.00
- H. C. Dill, Hinton, Okla. .75
- J. E. Kilpatrick, Coldwater, Okla. 1.50
- Arnold Rusterholz, Portland, Ore. 1.00
- H. M. Street, Sisters, Ore. 1.50
- H. J. Jackson, Marysville, Pa. .50
- J. M. Wilson, Rodi, Pa. 1.15
- J. E. Thomas, Wilkesbarre, Pa. 1.00
- John Walker, Arnold, Pa. 1.00
- J. J. Jackson, Marysville, Pa. 1.00
- P. C. Dahl, Platte, S. D. 1.00
- E. A. Smith, Dallas, Texas. .50
- John L. Brooks, Provo City, Utah. .50
- R. Henningsen, Mantt, Utah. 1.00
- C. Peterson, Mantt, Utah. .25
- J. C. Linn, Fletcher, Wash. .25
- Wylie B. Brown, Auburn, Wash. 1.00
- Julia Eldred, Ellensburg, Wash. 1.00
- Jos. A. Atkinson, Fayette, W. Va. 2.85

Their work in this line has been the means of placing nearly 1,250,000 pieces of literature in the hands of the economically ignorant during the past few months.

Said by Others

Keep your eye on the coal trust tomorrow, and you will probably discover that the price of coal has quietly been pushed up another notch.—Oshkosh Northwestern.

There will be no need to worry about a market for our products when we get sufficient sense to establish a system of society in which we can consume them ourselves.—Wiltshire's Magazine.

No man is so thoroughly right as to be entitled to say that others are totally wrong. It is well to affirm your own truth, but it is not well to condemn those who think differently from you.—Socrates.

"Prosperity" Family of five; wages, \$10 per; rent, \$3, food, \$7; don't need coal, light, clothes, education, etc., etc. Great, isn't it! No wonder they make so much noise about it.—New York Worker.

Socialism has evolved a boy orator in America. He is named Harry Laidler, and is at present traveling through the county addressing Socialist gatherings, with the object of raising sufficient money to pay his way through college. A sensible boy!—London Labor Leader.

"Our navy" only cost Uncle Sam \$65,793,575 last year. So much money for murderous objects! Suppose Uncle Sam would spend those millions for building workmen's houses or for improving labor's conditions in any other way! Why, that would lead to anarchy—in the eyes of plutocracy.—St. Louis Labor.

"I do not believe in government ownership of anything which can, with propriety, be left in private hands," said President Roosevelt in his Raleigh speech. And what can "with propriety" be left in private hands? Can we "with propriety" leave in private hands any public function at all? If we can, then why not all public functions? Or, if some public functions may be left "with propriety" in private hands, where shall the line be drawn between such as may be and such as may not?—The Public, Chicago.

One of the "signs of the times" worthy the attention of thoughtful citizens is the large and rapidly increasing number of retired army and navy officers of high rank and altitudinous salary. There are now three lieutenant-generals, twenty major-generals, and 250 brigadier-generals, all retired from active service at 64 years, their salaries range from \$1,375 to \$750 per month. On the naval retired list are 125 rear admirals, two admirals, twenty-one commodores and fifty-seven captains. Their salaries are from \$2,500 to \$1,800 per month. Most of both lists were created by special acts of congress or by the order of the presidents, as results of the Spanish and Philippine wars.—Pittsburg Kansas.



Hot Cinders

Defeat is only Victory in disguise. A logical conclusion is not always a common sense one.

The lives of most men are successful ones viewed from some angle.

The law of love, as applied, usually turns out to be love of one's self.

Every bond or certificate of stock issued is a mortgage on your labor.

The reason I like this world is because it is the only one I know anything about.

Oh, yes, our time is money—regular pay checks—but Mr. Rockefeller cashes them.

A study of the stars is a very fascinating one, but a study of yourself is more profitable.

It is one thing to understand the laws of nature and another to account for their origin.

As a rule we create our own mental atmosphere—if it's oppressive we should know the reason.

I fail to see any difference in being the slave of an individual or being the slave of a system.

Fear in some of its billion forms possesses us all. It is only as we overcome fear that we are free.

The history of mankind has been but the ever-changing ways in which mankind has made its living.

Your time may be money, Mr. Worker, but you'll notice the money always goes into the capitalist's pocket.

The reason some men can boast of never having been bribed is because no one ever tried to bribe them.

A ruling class never gave up their power unless forced to do so—for instance, the Russian grand dukes.

Whenever a thing is not said very well you may know that the one who said it did not have anything worth saying.

Time is money, so I am told, but I note that the capitalist gets all the money, while the worker gets all the time.

The religion of any age cannot be antagonistic to the economic system of that age—otherwise it could not live.

Evolution will cure all the so-called diseases of society. All Socialists can do is to assist in administering the medicine.

Few opportunities for graft are ever overlooked. Given more opportunities and the list of grafters will materially increase.

When you want advice, go to yourself for it—no one else is so competent to give it. No one else knows so well what is needed.

If Socialism was wrong the capitalists would not fight it—they know it would kill itself. It is because it is right that they fight it.

When the working class get what rightfully belongs to them they will have to take it themselves—nobody is going to give it to them.

Men make their own rules of morality and justice, and they make them to conform with their methods of production and distribution.

The man who doesn't get any enjoyment out of his own thoughts isn't going to get much enjoyment out of the thoughts of others.

It's a funny thing about money—we all want it, but when we get it we usually give it to someone else for something we want worse.

Do the thing the best way you know how and don't waste any energy estimating results. You'll get out of a thing all you put in, and no more.

A realization of the ideals of Socialism would not be the attainment of truth—it would be a step from greater error to lesser error, that is all.

The workers seem to have become so accustomed to not owning anything that they look with disfavor on the Socialists' proposition to own their jobs.

Considering the great number of smart children one reads about, it is really something strange where all the dull-witted grown-up folks come from.

If one of us should put in one pile what we really know and in another pile what we pretend to know, we'd probably need a magnifying glass to see the former.

The man who cannot see that the tendency of society is towards Socialism is still lingering in the jungle where the shadows of ignorance and prejudice hide the truth.

When American mothers and American wives view Socialism at the right angle the education of the men folks is going to proceed considerably faster than it is doing now.

WHY THE PLAY WAS SUPPRESSED.

When George Bernard Shaw learned that his latest New York play had been censored by the police—the very virtuous police—he said:

"In the opinion of the police, prostitution is a permissible subject for the stage only when it is made agreeable. In my opinion the numerous plays in which it is made agreeable should be counterbalanced by plays in which its sordid cause is exposed."

"I am extremely proud of having written the play. It has made me more friends than any other work of mine, especially among serious women. It will make me friends of the same stamp in America, and these friends will keep steadily pressing two questions:

"Are the facts exposed in 'Mrs. War-

ren's Profession' denied? If not, in whose interests are they suppressed?
"It will be seen more and more clearly that the police, doubtless with the best intentions, are protecting, not public morality, but the interests of the most dangerous class, namely—the employers who pay women less than the minimum wages, overwork them mercilessly, and grind profits for themselves out of the pith of the nation.
"Naturally, they raise the clamor of immorality and disgusting dialogue, but in the end the public conscience of America, at present a hasty, unintelligent and easily duped force, will get educated and go over them like a steam roller, with an effective factory code started by the way."

The supreme court of the United States has sustained the supreme court of Missouri, maintaining the validity of the Missouri law making eight hours a legal day's work in the mines.
In a decision handed down by the appellate court in Indianapolis, it was held that an action to enjoin a labor union could not be maintained, for the reason that the organization, which is not an incorporation, cannot be sued as such, but the proceedings must be had, if at all, against its members as individuals.
The Missouri Pacific put the boots to half of its shop forces on the entire system the other day. The most of these workmen voted for what they got, and therefore they have no kick coming. The company voted for the same thing, and it got what it voted for. This demonstrated that the interests of capital and labor are identical.

Things will be Different Under Socialism

Under Socialism the entire nation will be full of schoolhouses. Not the "little red schoolhouses"—although they are far better than none—but fine, large stone buildings, heated by steam, and equipped with every late appliance for teaching, including large libraries and telescopes, typewriters and pianos. I rather think that the future school will turn out scientists, inventors and discoverers in large numbers, because the human race really knows very little yet about anything, and what little we do know we are always finding to be wrong. Hence there is a great field, and each one with profit by each discovery. Millions of great minds have lived and died upon this globe without ever becoming more than a hard-pressed laborer, a thing without chance or opportunity to work in the natural bent of the mind.

Defending capitalism, S. C. T. Dodd says: "Workmen are hands, and are subject to the direction of superintendents." Huh! Get a microscope and see if you can find that wonderfully sacred "individuality" which the capitalists are so fearful that Socialism will kill in the human family. Hands! No brains, just hands! It means that the capitalists hire a superintendent and, as he has but two hands, they hire several thousand other people and give their hands to the superintendent to use as his own. Think of a man with ten thousand hands! The capitalist idea, got, no doubt, because of the way that vote, it that the work people have and need no brains. Under Socialism we will leave hands to the brains to which they are attached; we will consider them as human, not as so many pieces of wood, to be moved at the dictation of a high-priced slave. The negroes on the plantations were called hands!

Prof. Dougdale investigated 1,500 members of a family named Max and found that 300 were paupers, 300 died in infancy because of weakness, 400 were wrecked by debauchery, seven were murderers, 160 were criminals, and many of the women led lives of shame. It thus cost society millions of dollars of expense, with no receipts to care for this one family, when, if society had been wise, it would have made environments suitable for every human to live under, and that would have prevented much, if not all, this expense and crime. Society pays a big price because it refuses to furnish each child with such environments as will develop the best traits instead of the worst. Under Socialism each child will have the most favorable opportunities for development. None will know the lack of good food, the lack of good clothing and shelter, nor the lack of proper training and pleasure. What a difference that would make to the social organism. But, then, that might destroy the family.

The weight of the United States is given as \$1,250 per person, which means \$5,000 per family. Under the present system, in which this wealth is divided, most of the families have nothing and a few have hundreds of thousands or millions. That is what dividing up property does. Under Socialism the wealth will not be divided, but will be held in common for all the people—for the baby that is born tomorrow as well as for the man of today. Capitalism means dividing up, while Socialism means not dividing up. We find on examining into the cost of the industries that they require \$1,000 of capital for each worker employed, meaning the best and most expensive processes of production. Assuming that this sum be deducted from the wealth of today, it would leave \$4,000 to be applied for investment for the home and its equipment for each family of the nation. Do you have a \$4,000 home, which you can call your own, for which you have to pay no interest or rent? If not, then Socialism will improve your condition. And besides all this, there will be such a home and such machines for each of your children when they grow up, without your having to save and skimp and deny yourself all your life. Can you reason?

Individual capital is fast passing away. Thousands of industries that a few years ago were owned and operated by individuals have passed into the hands of corporations. The men can no longer go into them and say "this is mine," but can only say, "this is ours." Capitalism, the development of industry, has forced them to part with private capital whether they would or no. Even their strong hands could not retain it after they had gathered it together. How surely, then, will it be impossible for the poor to accumulate and hold private capital. These men denounce Socialism because it would deny private capital and thus "destroy incentive." Is their incentive destroyed by having to merge their capital with others and lose their identity? Perhaps, but what becomes of the identity of the poor, then? Under Socialism all industry will be merged, that is true, but we will have just the same interest in it that capitalists have in their industries today. As they can only say "this is ours," so we can only say "this is ours" as we look on any of the great industries of the nation. Would you prefer to be left out so that you can have nothing, or have it so that you can say and feel that everything in this world is as much yours as any man's? It is up to you.

The World of Labor

The Labor World, of Pittsburg, Pa., howls for the republican party and old age pensions for the workers! It is by listening to such fakirs that the work people are made into paupers that have no pensions. What easy dupes for capitalists they still support with their votes the same kind of candidates that have reduced them to beggars for jobs.
During the late unpleasantness in Chicago, Kansas City furnished 1,100 men to take the places of striking teamsters. You can understand what this means, if you can conceive of a colored man before the war taking up arms to perpetuate his slavery. Ignorant as the negroes were, none of them were willing to fight for their own subjection. The white slave, it seems, likes his slavery, and is willing to fight for its perpetuation.
As far back as 1739 an anonymous writer said this: "One man has employed himself a week in providing this necessary of life . . . and he that gives him some other in exchange cannot make a better estimate of what is a proper equivalent than by computing what cost him just as much labor and time, which in effect is no more than exchanging one man's labor in one thing for a certain time, for another man's labor in another thing for the same time."

The Citizens' Industrial Association of America will meet in St. Louis this week. Among other plans they propose to organize a "non-union union." They propose to make it a national affair, and open recruiting offices in all large cities, where men will be sent from place to place as needed. It is a benevolent institution, designed merely to help the working class. It will work beautifully until all union men have been displaced by the "non-union men," and