

MAY DAY IN OLD FANEUIL

Address of Franklin H. Wentworth Before the Wage Workers of Boston at Annual Celebration.

FRANKLIN H. Wentworth addressed the Boston wage-workers at their May day celebration in Faneuil Hall, Saturday evening, May 2, 1908.

In this country the working class has the ballot; it has already in its hand the privilege of the men of other countries are dying to achieve.

I am no enemy of trades-unions. No man in America ever envies more sincerely than do I the slightest work done by the workers in the industrial field.

Political Action Necessary. When I saw this I saw the limitation of all industrial conquest. I saw that we must protect our industrial action by political action.

Martyrs to Ignorance. Haywood, and Moyer, and Pettibone were not so much victims of hatred of the capitalist class as they were martyrs to the ignorance of the working class.

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During the recent strike of the telegraph operators, Vice-President Edward J. Nally, of the Postal Telegraph Company, was reported to have said:

Crafty Schemes of Coercion.

"This strike has a serious aspect for the men. All of them have discharged themselves and will lose whatever pension rights they have had.

Was there ever a simpler admission that pension schemes are but crafty schemes for coercion? This means that your pension is secure under capitalism as long as you do what capitalism wants you to do.

Let us sweep the petty and shallow overtures of the capitalist class manfully aside and strike for the new order of humanity here and now.

We have the numbers; we have the power; and every evidence either of fear or favor from the master class but proves our coming victory.

Last month in Philadelphia the director of Public Safety declared that the political party of the working class should hold no more meetings in that city.

The withholding of the permit for the recent unfortunate meeting of the unemployed in Union Square, New York, and the brutal attack of the police on that occasion has been condemned by thoughtful people from one end of the nation to the other.

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—the phrase for which our forefathers gave their lives on the rock-bound New England coast—is already taking new and larger significance.

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to demand a happy childhood. Do you think the working class, when it comes to a consciousness of its power, is going to allow its children to be chained to machines at fourteen? Do not believe it!

At the recent congress of mothers in the city of Washington there was a renewal of the preaching of the president of the United States on the subject of bearing children.

I am sick unto death of all this bourgeois talk of race-suicide and waning population. It is based simply on the fear that the working class may fail to produce enough human food for the industrial tread-mills.

I would rather see one serious young workman with intelligence enough to vote as he strikes, than to see ten thousand of the kind who expect to get free by electing their masters' lackeys to political office.

I wish that the women of the United States would make a public reply to the president's tirade against their evasions of child-bearing.

Until the world makes the best of life already here the cry for more life to degenerate and destroy is only a mark of ignorance and infidelity.

It is an agreeable fiction, coined for the flattery and self-estimation of the so-called educated classes.

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been slowly but surely quickening the consciousness of the working class. No hint of this silent but effective work has gotten into polite literature; and even today the unthinking masses believe the growing sentiment against war to be an emanation of peace societies and Hague conferences.

When the throne of the Romanoffs was tottering after the war with Japan; the Russian working class of the large cities rose in revolt and threatened the absolute aristocracy, why did not the German emperor rush to the rescue?

The sun of the new world is rising; it is rising out of the solidarity of the working class. Its rays of light are bursting through the dark horizon which ignorance and deceit have so long riveted down about us.

I have been keeping in close touch with the speculative element in the banking district, and if the "pure and simple" who follow Gompers et al. could hear some of the remarks in the board rooms there would be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

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tons and brass bands are coming to feel their social inferiority; and in America alone in some classes of service the desertions amount to nearly thirty per cent.

But our reason for looking to the working class for the abolition of war has a deeper foundation than this contempt for the soldier; it goes down to the fact that the working class is now beginning to understand the underlying causes of war.

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THE CRISIS.

BY LUCIEN SANIAL. VI.

I write, nearly seven months have elapsed since a financial panic involving the whole banking mechanism of the United States closed a nine years' period of "prosperity."

Few were those, at first, who realized that the capitalistic machine itself had broken down, and that in a single day the country had passed from an era of unprecedented activity into one of deep prostration.

To be sure, portentous signs of what would inevitably come some day, not very far distant, had not been wanting since 1904, when the glut of "undigested securities" already then resulting from the swindling process resorted to in the carrying out of trustification on a stupendous scale, had temporarily caused an industrial depression.

But those who knew were discreetly silent; and for good reasons. Even he of the strenuous tongue did not venture beyond a personal denunciation of one bold plunderer (singularly selected from the crew of financial pirates) whose contribution of "defiled money" to his campaign fund had been anxiously solicited and graciously received.

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cannot fully recorded in the special trade publications designed to transmit information of the most reliable character to their respective capitalistic constituencies, organs intended for general circulation persist in spreading among the uninformed masses the delusion of an "early return of prosperity."

From the fact that there is no stock of rails, for instance, it does not follow that there is going to be a demand for rails. First of all the existing obstacles to the resumption of railroad construction or improvement, which are essentially of a financial character, must be removed.

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QUESTION BOX

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Socialism was established in this country...

The best way to find out is to try it.
If, at the end of a few years it is found that the people are getting too much to eat...

Such fears remind one of the old cow who browsed so long in the dogfennel lanes that when turned into a fine blue-grass pasture...

Capitalistic Co-operation Not Socialism.
We have here in Delta county a telephone system owned and operated by the people who use it...

Telephone system is neither Socialism nor a co-operative effort established and carried on under the institutions of the capitalist system...

What have the Socialists against Bryan's moral character or his sincerity for the benefit of the working class...

As a politician Mr. Bryan is in the same class with Mr. Taft. Both support the capitalist system...

Under Socialism, the colored people of our country would be held state or county officers...

The Socialist movement has repeatedly declared against discrimination with reference to color or sex...

Private property with its innumerable quarrels over property rights, needs recorders of deeds, tax collectors, judges, juries and such officials...

Courts and Boycotts.
In what way is the supreme court decision on boycotting contrary to the principles of Socialism?

My appetite lifted the lid with a jerk to get at the contents of packing-box product...

How prosperite only works to raise hob with jaspers who look to a wage for their old bucket...

The holey old bucket of prosperite.
The rust-covered bucket.

The army and navy are more susceptible to Socialist propaganda than any other groups of men in the nation...

Does a member of a Socialist local who votes for a ticket nominated by the party violate his membership pledge?

clares all relations between him and all other parties to be severed. To resume relations with any other party by voting any other than the Socialist ticket is to violate your pledge...

Who Pays the Taxes?
It seems to me that no one but the producer pays any taxes.

The producer never pays this money or its value to anyone for the simple reason that he never gets hold of it...

Sincerity and Politics.
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NATIONAL SOCIALIST TICKET.
For President EUGENE V. DEBS
For Vice President BEN HANFORD
I'LL VOTE FOR DEBS.

I'll vote for Debs, for the Faith I have.
That will reach the promised land.
A joyous vote and a splendid vote.

I'll vote for Debs, for the Hope I have.
That shall food the world with his light.
And must answer the call I hear.

I'll vote for Debs, for the Love I have.
The Love and the Life divine I have.
And won't you vote with me for Debs, and Drink of the new-made wine?

I'll vote for Debs, for the Faith and Hope.
And the Love that we have for all.
I can almost hear the stones cry out.
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our elected officers to the following program:
PROGRAM.
We demand immediate governmental relief for unemployed workers...

We demand:
1. The collective ownership of railroads, telegraphs, telephones, steamships, and all other means of transportation...

2. The extension of the public domain to include mines, quarries, oil wells, forests and other lands...

3. The absolute freedom of press, speech and assembly as guaranteed by the constitution...

4. That religion be treated as a private matter—a question of individual conscience...

5. That the right of suffrage be an absolute right, not subject to any qualifications...

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ARMY NOTES.
—Comrade Leavelle, of Nashville, Ark., sends a vivid description of the conditions of the old Arkansas...

—Here is a little ammunition for the side of Fort Scott. I expect to dispatch a relief squad soon...

—I believe the ticket nominated at Chicago will satisfy every believer in Socialism...

—Comrade See, who has recently moved from Kentucky into Anderson, Ark., writes that Socialists are scarce in the neighborhood of his new home...

—Comrade Norris, of San Angelo, Tex., writes that he has been in the Army for some time...

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Who is the Fool?
Commenting upon the action of union farmers in the south who plowed under part of their cotton crop...

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Send your address and we will send you a card...

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Locally of traveling. Salary of commission. Experience unnecessary...

If you are Sick or Ailing
Send your address and we will send you a card...

PARTY NOTES.
The Socialists of Wisconsin will hold a state convention in Milwaukee June 15...

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