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JUSTICE

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Sample Room rear of Gandlin
Music Store.

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THE TRIAL AND ITS MEANING.

BY EUGENE V. DEBS.

Perhaps the most unfortunate thing about the trial now in progress in Idaho from the working class point of view, is that so few understand its true meaning, its real significance its full import, it is one of the strange freaks of history that its makers are not to be understood by their contemporaries, but that they, especially the greatest among them, must die ignominiously and wait for succeeding generations to interpret their works and do them justice.

When John Brown was put upon trial in Charlestown, Va., forty-eight years ago, few people, extremely few, understood its meaning and although half a century has passed and the fiercest civil war in history, of which that trial was but the prelude, has been fought, the great mass of people has not yet awakened to its significance and another century or more will be required before the strike at Harper's Ferry and the trial at Charlestown will be understood in their larger meaning, as written in subsequent events, by the American people and the world.

Ralph Waldo Emerson was one of the few who understood that historic trial of half a century ago the trial of a despised agitator and hated insurrectionist. His prophetic eye pierced the future as he said: "John Brown will make the gallows as glorious as Jesus Christ made the cross." The coming centuries will vindicate the prescience of the sage of Concord and the gallows upon which John Brown, the liberator, perished will be kept green with wreaths of immortelles by the countless children of freedom.

The outcome of the pending trial is awaited with equal concern by the czar of Russia and the president of the United States. They at least understand in some measure the vital issue that is involved and the widespread influence the outcome will have upon their respective countries.

When the czar of Russia expressed his imperial approval of President Roosevelt's characterization of Moyer and Haywood as "undesirable citizens" he not only added his testimony to the world-wide interest in the trial but unwittingly recognized the international class struggle of which the trial in itself is but the merest incident.

It is this very fact—a fact of the supremest importance—that the capitalist powers are striving by all conceivable means to conceal from the working class; upon their success in so doing depends the consummation of the conspiracy to destroy organized labor and rule the wage-slaves of the western mines and smelters with a rod of iron for years to come.

The trial now going on, viewed from any comprehensive standpoint, is anything but a murder trial. In the war between labor and capital in the Rocky Mountains during the last thirty years—sometimes in pitched battles and again in gurrilla fashion—hundreds have been slaughtered, but not all of them combined have created a tithe of the furore aroused by the taking off of Frank Steunenberg, the particular murder which lies at the foundation of

this prosecution and which must be understood in at least its essential features to account for the world-wide interest it has awakened.

Hundreds of miners have been killed under circumstances quite as cruel as the assassination of Steunenberg, but who can pronounce the name of even one of them?

Why was not great reward offered for their slayers? Why did not the legislature of Idaho appropriate \$100,000 for the conviction of the murderers of these miners? And why did the governor of that state not lay snares to kidnap the supposed instigators of these crimes? Or the president of the United States pronounce them "undesirable citizens?"

Ah, that is the point! Why were the hundreds of workmen slain so inconsequential and easily forgotten, while the killing of Steunenberg has aroused the whole universe.

The answer comes of itself. Frank Steunenberg belonged to the ruling class. As governor of Idaho he had served that class with peculiar fidelity. As a retired capitalist he was identified with that class. Had he been killed while still a union printer under precisely the same circumstances scarcely anyone outside of Idaho would have heard of it and by them it would soon have been forgotten.

Wanted!

500 Second-hand Cook and Heating Stoves.
Will pay cash.—22-tf T. J. STARR.

There is something doing when R. W. Blevins & Co. put on a Sale. They don't misrepresent anything. They give you the goods.

See Yates' magnificent line of Coffins and Caskets. 22-tf

If you are going to buy a Buggy or Surrey see our new patterns before you buy. They will arrive this week. Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Thomas & Williams sells the refrigerator that keeps ice or your money back.

Williams the grocer gives full weights and measures.

If you want to get value received, go to Bray & Garrett for barber work.

We have the latest Extension Tables. See them.—Foster & Wilson.

Have you seen those fine buggies Robber-son & Ridge are displaying on their floor?

At the First Christian church, Sunday, two special sermons. Morning, 11 a. m., "Faith, Hope and Charity." Night, 8 p. m., "The Kingdom of Christ." Prof. Wm. H. Van Deusen, pastor. Everybody welcome.

Loyd has a new line of ladies' muslin underwear. Call and get his prices.

We want you to see our line of buggies and surries. Full line of samples.
Thomas & Williams.

If you need anything in Tin or Galvanized Iron Work, go to Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

See Yates' magnificent line of Coffins and Caskets. 22-tf

GOOD ENOUGH FOR SOCIALISTS.

I have tried to digest that new constitution and as far as I can learn it contains more Socialist principles than any other in existence. As a Socialist I cannot afford to vote against progress. Is not the laws laid down in that constitution better than the ones we are living under? If so, let us move forward, comrades. You don't like to endorse anything that the democrats do. Now then, let me whisper in your ear: If the Socialists had written the constitution I doubt if they could have written a more radical one with any hope of getting the president's signature attached to it. Yours for a pure democracy.

GEO. L. CROW.

When you buy a Sled Cultivator, don't fail to examine the John Deere. Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Just received, a shipment of wood box sled cultivators. Get one before they are gone.—Thomas & Williams.

What is the use of starving your children so long as you have money and Williams has groceries.

JUSTICE wants an intelligent Socialist correspondent from every Local in the district.

All kinds of carpenter tools at right prices at Robberson & Ridge's.

See those Round Extension Tables at Foster & Wilson.

There will be a meeting at the Granite Valley school house, three miles north of Mt. Scott, June 22nd, for the purpose of organizing the Socialists of Comanche county. All Socialists in the county are requested to be present at this meeting as it is very important and marks an epoch in the history of Comanche county.

Yates handles all kinds of Second-hand Furniture. 22-tf

We are closing out some of our Queensware, and will have some bargains. Come and see them at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

The City National bank has received a new receptacle for money that weighs 18,000 pounds. It is certainly a "daisy" and we advise all burglars to pass it up if they place any value on their time.

All kinds of dress shirts at Loyd's.

Lawn Hose, Lawn Sprinklers, Hose Reels, Hoze Nozzles, and everything of the kind at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Think about \$12.50 Oak Dressers for \$8.00 at Yates' Furniture Store. 22-tf

Roy Ward has bought the Duncan Pantatorium and says he will clean and press clothes as fast as they come in.

Gasoline Stoves of all kinds at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Bray & Garrett has the nicest place in the city.

Try a sack of Liberty Flour for sale by Allen & Fuqua. 21-tf

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

The history of Moses shows us a noble character. When he saw the oppression of his people and saw one of them struck, his free-born spirit could not stand it and he killed the oppressor on the spot. His people, like the miserable slaves they were, sided against him, so he had to flee for his life. The next account we have of him we find him working to secure equal opportunity for woman. Forty years roll away and Moses is commanded of God to go and lead his people out of bondage, but Moses hesitates. Why? Because he is afraid the miserable slaves won't listen to the message of freedom. He thought justly that they would call him an anarchist and undesirable citizen, and it was only because he had faith in God's promise that caused him to go.

Moses was learned but slow of speech, but he was a writer. The first effort Moses made caused Pharaoh to add more burdens on the slaves. They laid the blame upon Moses. When they finally got to the Red sea and they saw Pharaoh's army pursuing them they reproached Moses and said: "We told you in Egypt to let us alone that we might remain slaves."

This lesson shows that God is opposed to oppression. That in his own good time he will relieve the oppressed and destroy the oppressor. It shows how hard it is to get the slaves to come out of bondage. It also shows the blight that slavery casts upon a people. Of all those that left Egypt only two were counted worthy to enter the promised land.

GEO. L. CROW.

Pure Comb Honey at Allen & Fuqua. 21-tf

The Unquiet Stairs.

In a recent suit in a Cincinnati court a lawyer was cross-examining a witness, the point under inquiry being the relative position of the doors, windows, etc., in a house in which a certain transaction is alleged to have occurred.

"And now, my good man," the lawyer said, "will you be good enough to tell the court how the stairs run in your house?"

The German looked dazed for a moment. "How do they run?" he repeated.

"Yes; how do the stairs run?"

"Vell," continued the witness, "ven I am oop-stairs dey run down, and ven I am down-stairs dey run oop."—Harper's Weekly.

Frigid Ice Cream Freezers and Alaska Refrigerators go hand-in-hand at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

See our line of Matting before buying.—Foster & Wilson.

Go down to Loyd's and look at that swell underwear or you may never see it at all.

If any purchase you make at McCasland's is not satisfactory he will cheerfully refund your money. 21-tf

Nice office room for rent in the Howell building. See Dr. W. T. Howell.

Allen & Fuqua for high-grade Groceries. tf

We will give a year's subscription to every christian under forty in Duncan that will make oath that they have read the entire bible in their lifetime. We won't ask them if they believe that God ordered his chosen people to murder innocent babies, because we already know.

To the Public in General.

DUNCAN, I. T., June 3, 1907.

Owing to the advance on horse shoes and nails, we, the undersigned, have been forced to raise the price of plain shoeing from \$1.00 to \$1.25. Toed shoes, \$1.75 up to fours. Fours, plain, \$1.50; toed, \$2.00. Horses to be roped up, \$1.50.

J. S. LEE,
BALDWIN & SHELTON,
J. E. LEE,
W. T. ADKISSON,
DAVENPORT & BENTLEY,
C. H. Odneal.

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Our assortment of Fishing Tackle is complete. Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

See Williams the grocer for all kinds of fresh groceries.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness so begin with getting a shave and hair cut at Bray & Garrett. They are real barbers.

Democrats dare do dark, dire, dirty, damnable deeds daily.

We have a complete stock of Galvanized and Painted Corrugated Iron. Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

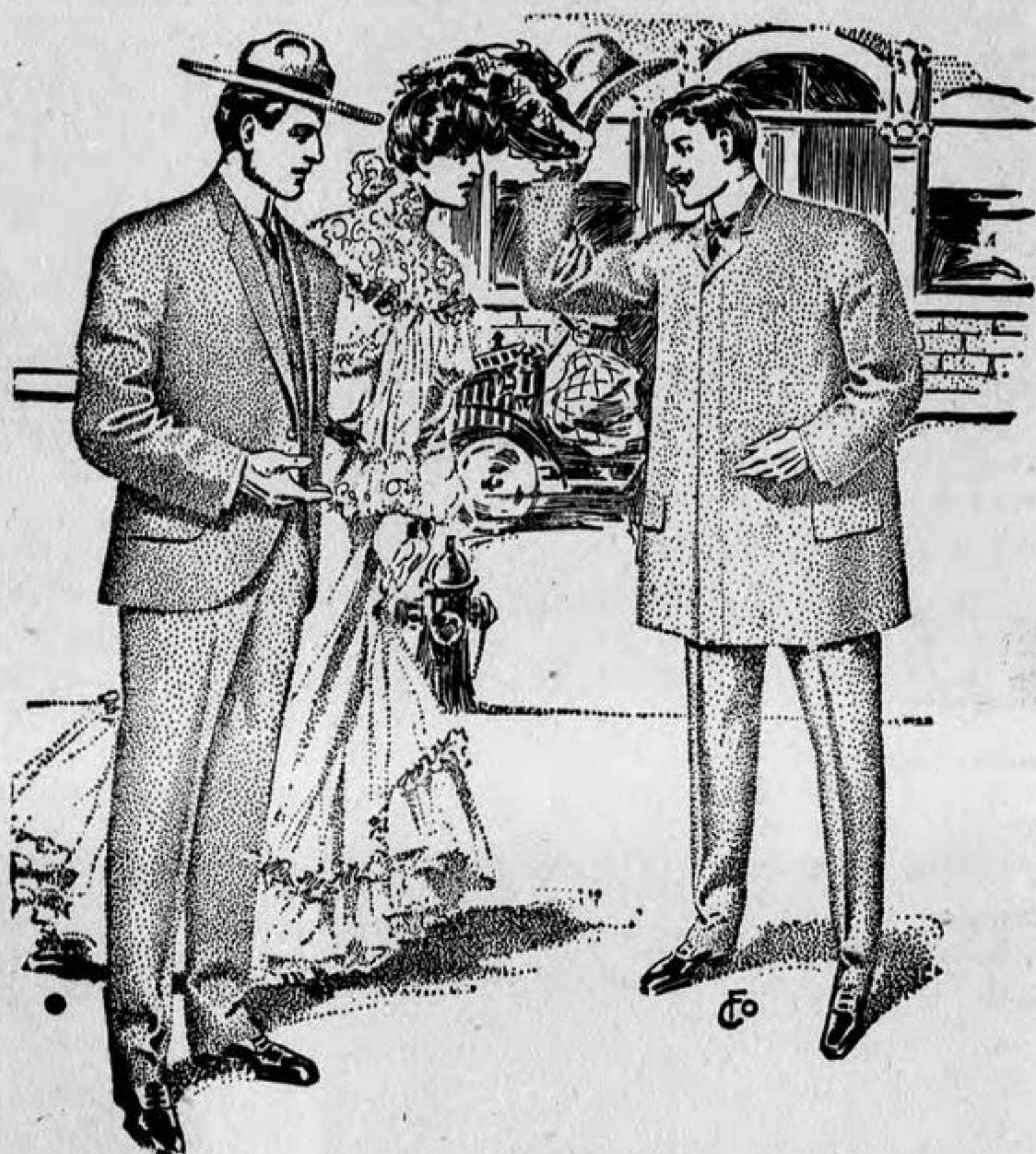
Socialists! Vote for the constitution. Because it is as radical a one as we can get under our present system, even though 'twas written by Socialists.

Croquet Sets and Hammocks at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Williams the grocer sells better groceries and sells them cheaper than any house in Duncan.

Bring your job work to the JUSTICE office.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS



Their hats were blocked, their clothes were dyed,
They couldn't look shabby if they tried;
On being asked why they looked so fine,
They said we've patronized Ward & Hines.

Look at your Clothes!

If they need cleaning, bring them to us. If they need pressing, bring them to us. If you are tired of the color and want them dyed, bring them to us. We use the latest improved method in **Cleaning, Pressing and Dyeing**. We make a specialty of cleaning and dyeing Ladies' Skirts and Coats. All kinds of Hats cleaned and blocked by the most improved methods. Don't throw that old Stetson away. It is as good as new. Let us clean and block it, and make a new hat of it. We take orders for the famous Ed V. Price & Co., Merchant Tailors of Chicago. Call and see our samples and get our prices.

In Rear of Bray & Garrett's Barber Shop

Duncan Pantatorium

Hines & Ward, Props.

Give Us a Trial Order.

We Guarantee Satisfaction

STARVATION IN HIGH PLACES.

"The woman, after all, is least to blame."
—London-Times.

She had risen from a morbid sleep, which she had obtained by a drug. She had been manicured and bathed and clothed by maids in the art of beautifying. She had swallowed a costly breakfast by the aid of spirits and seltzer, and had driven off to a day's racing and betting in the company of a cavalier servante.

A high-born girl of loving and passionate temperament, she had been married not many years since to one, who, in the eyes of society was in every way her fitting mate. But the laws of high society are seldom recognized by Nature, and she had failed to find her life complemented by the mate that had been chosen for her.

Nature rebelled. It cried out against the unnatural union, and longed for its own. And the girl, at sea as to the meaning of the disturbance in her soul, sought surcease from her unhappiness plunging into fashionable society. She failed to find satisfaction, and her dissipations increased. Her house was becoming the resort of men of questionable character, and she was setting at defiance every conventional dictate of propriety. Her young husband went to Africa to "shoot big game." Letters and telegrams followed after a time, beseeching him to come back; his wife needed him.

He refused to return, and plain hints were given that should he be forced to return, it may prove but the opening of revelations in regard to his own life that would surpass hers in dissipation, and furthermore might involve half a dozen other high families.

He was afraid to return.

And she got along quite as well without him as she had done with him. In any case her life was unsatisfied, her heart hungry, her soul starving.

It was a bright day that she drove off with her cavalier to attend the races. The sun was high and warm, her cheeks and lips were tinted with the fever in her blood. Her eyes had a deep yearning in their depths as she looked out upon the world glowing with natural beauty and peace. She heard the birds singing from pure joy, and her heart grew sick within her. To be alone in a world like this!

The man at her side was relating a bit of scandal. She was not listening.

As the horses turned a corner, they came near colliding with a road cart going at full speed. They were saved from being dashed to pieces by a man of the common people, who saw their predicament, and like a flash sprang at the horses' heads. She had not realized the danger; it had passed too quickly, and her mind had been absorbed in other thoughts. Half unconsciously she looked at the man who had rescued them, caressing the horses' noses, with the endeavour to quiet them, he looked at her. Her eyes were opened wide, and looked into his full, earnest, unabashed. He wore the garb of the common people—a small business man, school teacher, or clerk perhaps—but he was every whit a man. Through his eyes shone such a soul as she had never seen before in all her life. such a soul! It cooled the burning in her blood, and caressed her lonely, aching heart. But it was only for an instant.

With a word of thanks—which the man did not hear—and a slight pull at the reins, her companion drove on, leaving him far behind. The action tore through her sensitive being like the stinging lash from a whip. She crushed her hands together in her lap. In the brief space of a moment she had realized what her nature had longed for all her life—recognition, true companionship.

But the man belonged to the common people. There was a gulf between them that could not be passed. With the consciousness of this thought, darkness enveloped her. She closed her eyes and groaned in an agony of despair.

"What is it?" asked her companion.

"Nothing—only I am a little warm, and would like to have a drink."

He laughed suggestively. He thought she wanted wine.—Josephine Conger-Kaneko in To-Morrow.

One of the nobbiest RunABOUTs, Automobile seat, open head springs, rubber covered step, leather trimmed, high arched axle, is to be seen on the sample floor of Robberson & Ridge's store.

Do you know how to make your old furniture look new? Call on Thomas & Williams and they will tell you free.

The Insurance Gasoline Stove is the safest stove on the market. Has self-acting valve. See them at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

THE DUNCAN NAT'L BANK

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$45,000.00.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, PRESIDENT

W. W. PAYNE, VICE PRESIDENT

J. D. WADE, CASHIER.

DUNCAN OKLAHOMA

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

DUNCAN DRUG COMPANY

Leading Druggists.

In business for your health.

Organize!

Wood Hubbard will be in Duncan about the middle of this month. I want to hear from all places that want a speaker and organizer. Also get the names of all the Socialists that can be depended upon to distribute literature and advertise the meetings. Write at once to

WILLIS BONNER,

Sec.-Treas. Socialist Party of Stephens County.

They are all nicely arranged to take care of their customers in their new place. Try them and you will be pleased. Bray & Garrett.

Williams the grocer sells better groceries and sells them cheaper than any house in town.

Chase and Sanborn's high-grade Coffees and Teas at Allen & Fuqua. 21-1f

Lawn mowers, lawn hose, ice cream freezers, hammocks and lawn chairs, at Thomas & Williams.

Don't forget that great stock of Spring Goods that will be on sale at Ira Loyd's in a few days. 8-1f

Those buggies at Robberson & Ridge's are the slickest in town. They have sixteen coats of paint.

If we haven't got just what you want in the Furniture Line we can get on a few days' notice.—Foster & Wilson.

Mrs. J. M. Ledbetter of Canton, Kansas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. P. Sanders.

Land For Sale.

240 acres of the best land in Oklahoma for sale, 2½ miles from Duncan; 160 acres in cultivation, balance tillable. Price \$40.00 per acre, part on time. Inquire at JUSTICE office.

A quadruple gold-plated Roman watch fob will be given with each and every suit of clothes ordered in the month of May.—Willis Bonner.

Six-room house for sale. Good storm house, good barn, electric light and water connections. Price \$1900. Four blocks from post-office, two blocks from Methodist church. Three lots. Inquire at JUSTICE office.

It is my pleasure to please my customers.—Cline, the photographer.

FURNITURE!

We carry a good stock and would be pleased to figure with you on anything in the Furniture Line. Many attractive specialties in neat, useful, well made and yet low priced articles. Call at our store and look them over.



Bedroom Suits, Iron Beds, Window Shades, Wardrobes, Carpets, Matting, Rugs, Oil Cloth, Linoleum, Center Tables, Kitchen Tables, Kitchen Cabinets. In fact, anything that is carried in stock by a first-class furniture store.

"Get the Habit"

Trade With

Foster & Wilson

Furniture Dealers

Duncan, J. I.

THE CONSTITUTION.

The action of the Duncan Socialists in taking back water in regard to the ratification of the constitution is highly commendable. It shows the proper progressive spirit. Something good did come out of Nazareth and why not out of the democratic party. We must admit the honesty of purpose that actuates the rank and file of the democratic party. We must also admit that some democratic leaders are honest and truly desire to place the government in the hands of the people. All democratic leaders are not Hills, Gormans and Cleveland. Some of them are not only honest but they have the courage of their convictions. And furthermore, some of them are Socialists, unconscious of the fact though they be.

The democrats have seemingly tried to make a constitution that would be acceptable to republicans, democrats, Socialists, populists, prohibitionists and any other old kind of "ists" that might be laying around loose. And they have come mighty near succeeding. So much so that Governor Frantz has seen proper to denounce it on the ground that "It contains the very essence of Socialism and is more populist than anything Jerry Simpson ever dreamed."

As a matter of fact it is not strictly speaking a constitution at all. The fact that it can be changed by a majority vote places it on a parity with statutory law. Any act of the legislature becomes a part of the constitution when approved by referendum. This enables every generation to create its own constitution. And that is a step forward of immense importance. That is one feature of the con-

stitution that must be upheld. And the next step is to deprive the courts of the power of injunction. Or at least curtail the power so that it cannot be made an implement of tyranny and oppression.

Legislation for the next five years should consist principally of repealing and amending provisions of the constitution. I believe the adoption of the constitution marks an epoch in American industrial history. The constitution places all responsibility on the peoples own shoulders and that is where it belongs. What the courts will do is another story, as Kipling would say.

DENNIS LEAHY.

We buy good leather and employ good workmen to make our harness—Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

See Williams the grocer for all kinds of fresh groceries.

Just received a big lot of Matting.—Foster & Wilson.

In justice to yourself, you should go to Davenport & Bentley's blacksmith shop for good work in their line.

Who says Socialism is not coming to the front fast? John Spargo, addressing the students at Vassar on Socialism, Morris Hillquit lecturing on the same subject at New York University and George R. Kirkpatrick debating the subject with Henry Clews, the banker, with Edwin Markham presiding indicates that the New York comrades are going some.—Common Sense.

Builders' Hardware was never cheaper than it is now, go to Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co. for latest prices.

Who Has Them?

The first person who brings to this office one copy of either of the following numbers of JUSTICE will be rewarded with a year's subscription to Wilshire's Magazine: From No. 2 to 11 inclusive, and from No. 14 to 19 inclusive. Our reason for wanting these back numbers is this: The Oklahoma Historical Association has asked us for a complete file of our paper to hand down to future generations, and we cannot accommodate them without disturbing our own file. Remember, one year's subscription to Wilshire's Magazine for each of the above numbers.

Say! Did you know that you can buy 7 pounds of good Coffee for \$1.00 at McCasland's? 21-tf

Bray & Garrett has the nicest place in the city.

Try a sack of Liberty Flour for sale by Allen & Fuqua. 21-tf

New lines of hosiery at Loyd's that a two pound trout can't get through.

John Deere Cultivators always do the work, see the latest at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

Your money back at Cline's if your photos are not as good as you can get anywhere.

Do you want a wind mill, if so see the samples at Thomas and Williams.

You don't have to apologize for the job printing that JUSTICE does.

The editor who tries to please everybody ought to have a tail screwed on him and rent himself to an organ grinder and become a monkey right.—RIP-SAW.

You can read this ad twenty-five ways, and each statement is true.

The loc constructed
The complete keyboard
The straight-line keyboard
The key-for-every-character
The non-shifting

W. F. EVAN'S STORE

is the most easily learned.
is the most accurate.
is the most noiseless.

GREAT SALE
AT THE
W. F. EVAN'S STORE

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JUSTICE.

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This paper will gladly correct any and all errors or misrepresentations. Our motto, as the name implies, is "Justice."

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FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 1907.

County Announcements.

For District Clerk.

Chas. S. Albright is announced as a candidate for Clerk of the District court, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For Sheriff.

T. E. (Tom) Lilly of Duncan is announced as a candidate for Sheriff of Stephens county, subject to the will of the people.

H. L. Deaton of Comanche is announced as a candidate for Sheriff of Stephens county, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

For Treasurer.

Clyde C. Coleman is announced as a candidate for County Treasurer of Stephens county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For County Surveyor.

W. B. Dyer is announced as a candidate for County Surveyor of Stephens county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

M. M. Hightower of Loco is announced as a candidate for County Surveyor, subject to action of the democratic primaries.

For County Commissioner.

Mr. J. B. Mason is announced as a candidate for County Commissioner of Stephens county, subject to action of Democratic primaries.

For County Clerk.

Burton Barnes, of Arthur, is announced as a candidate for County Clerk of Stephens County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For Register of Deeds.

W. A. (Uncle Billie) Williams is announced as a candidate for Register of Deeds of Stephens County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For Constable

R. A. (Bob) Holt is announced as candidate for Constable of Duncan precinct, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

The Chance of Your Life.

All who are not taking JUSTICE, or want to send it to their friends for a year, give us 50 cents in cash; clubs of 5 or more for 40 cents each. This offer is positively limited to July 1st. We want 10,000 new subscribers, so we can issue the biggest and warmest weekly explosive for the money on the face of the earth.

TENDERED HIS RESIGNATION.

Postmaster Elliott has tendered his resignation. This will leave an opening for some trust-worthy republican who probably don't know a postal card from a registered letter. The extremely technical questions he will be called upon to answer will be something like this:

Are you a republican?

Have you any political influence?

Will all the prominent republicans in your

community certify to the fact that you have been true to the faith?

Does the name of your God start with the letter "R"?

Will you instruct the people who actually do the work to exercise eternal vigilance in regard to newspapers that are trying to revolutionize this government of, for and by Wall street?

Do you know that politics comes first and ability last?

Do you know that the postmaster in nearly all big post-offices is the biggest ignoramus in the shop?

Do you know that there are thousands of \$40.00 post-office clerks who know more about the business than the Postmaster General?

Do you know that if this were really a free country, that the people would take it as a joke when you asked for the position of "head mogul" in a business where you couldn't qualify for the janitorship?

Will you hire all the work done by cheap republican "kids" and put in your time delivering eulogies on "King Eat 'em Alive?"

If all this you will know, do and live up to, you are thoroughly qualified to spend the salary that the ever-faithful republican "kidlets" will earn.

The president says he did not mean to pre-judge Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone; he merely supposed they would be tried and condemned before his letter was made public. His confidence in the ability of the prosecution is marvelous. Still he recalls the rustic editor who said: "Our vile contemporary has tried to slander us. He says we were drunk last Monday. This is a base libel. It was Tuesday."—Chicago Daily Socialist.

Nothing aids in the picturing of the beautiful home beyond as much as billiousness. Let a boy get away off from home and get a bad case of billiousness, and visions of hungry preachers and pluggel watermelons will float before his eyes, but after he takes a few doses of Simmons' liver regulator he does not care a tinker's tink if preachers all starve and watermelons grow as big as blacksmith shops with plugs in them as big as a back door on Sunday.

The Banner editor eases off the fact that he has no ammunition to waste on small game. The Banner is like the small boy who went hunting with a blowed up hog bladder. He knew that when he busted that bladder he would have to wait till hog killing time again before he could get any more ammunition, and he didn't propose to bust it until he got right slap dab in the middle of the hunter's paradise. The Banner editor knows that when he has one full grown idea his feet are going to freeze off unless it is extremely hot weather.

Do you know that many people in buying a buggy do not consider comfort as one of the features to receive careful attention. It is one of the main points which go to making driving a real pleasure. Buy a buggy from Robberson & Ridge and get one built with a view to comfort.

The Snow Lawn Swing has roller bearings, is made of galvanized steel and has an awning. See them at Gilkey-Jarboe Hdw. Co.

The latest styles of Furniture at prices that are right. —Foster & Wilson.

Nominees of the Socialist Party of Stephens County.

NOMINATED BY REFERENDUM VOTE.

For State Legislature.....	Dr. J. W. Newton of Loco
" County Treasurer.....	Geo. L. Crow of Duncan
" Sheriff.....	J. B. Wood
" County Judge.....	W. E. (Ed) Cheyes
" County Attorney.....	C. C. Culberson
" County Clerk.....	Willis Bonner
" County School Superintendent.....	T. J. Williams
" Register of Deeds.....	W. M. Dillon

C. RILEY

Attorney at Law,

ROOM 3, HOWELL BUILDING.

W. I. GILBERT.

E. H. BOND

GILBERT & BOND,

Attorneys At Law.

All business entrusted to us will receive prompt attention. Offices in the O'Neill building, cor. 8th street and Main, Duncan, I. T.

R. L. March,

Attorney at Law.

Real Estate, Abstract and Insurance
Agency in Office.

The Smith Premier Typewriter Co.
714 Delaware St., Kansas City, Mo.

You can read this ad twenty-five ways, and each statement is true

The non-shifting
The key-for-every-character
The straight-line keyboard
The complete keyboard
The rock-shaft constructed

Smith Premier Typewriter

is the most noiseless,
is the most accurate,
is the most rapid,
is the most easily learned,
is the most durable.

For Anything in the Furniture Line see Foster & Wilson

WHO OPPOSES SOCIALISM?

I am lecturing on Socialism in the Ind. Ter. and have discovered who, in addition to parasites, opposes Socialism.

One preacher said: "We have recently excluded a brother for advocating Socialism. I asked, 'How can you exclude Socialists and retain democrats and republicans?' 'Oh,' he replied, 'they ain't politishuns.'" He opposes Socialism.

One candidate for the legislature said: "I want the office but don't know anything about its duties." He opposes Socialism.

Another candidate said: "My occupation is a farmer." Poor fellow! Doesn't know how to form a simple sentence, yet he desires to be state senator. He opposes Socialism.

A candidate for superintendent of public instruction said: "I have not 'red' the constitution. Don't expect to 'reed' it. Have swallowed it from 'kiver to kiver.'" Like a hungry brainless bird, he swallows what his masters bring. He opposes Socialism.

A 28-year-old son of one of the wealthiest candidates in Stephens county said: "I do not know the name of our county site." He, like his father, opposes Socialism.

A poor, penniless, homeless farmer said: "I'm upposed to thee guverment ownership uv land, fur thee wage-wurkers uv thee cities wood knot have iny where to lyve." He opposes Socialism.

A prominent literary teacher told me of a very enjoyable excursion. He said: "But the most pleasant feature of the trip was this: A rich man came walking through the coach, put his hand on my head and gave me a little shake." Then I puked. He opposes Socialism.

In the face of all this opposition Socialism is growing very rapidly. Perhaps too fast. Organized a local with 17 charter members in a community where there was not but one Socialist a year ago. Another with six members where there was not a Socialist three months ago. Lectured at one place before a large audience. Every man present was converted to Socialism except one old gentleman who had just returned from the asylum. All workers are by Socialism, when they learn what it is, like the man was who embraced his girl and exclaimed: "Whoop, sixteen brindle cats couldn't scratch me away from you!" An old gentleman said: "Everybody in my community are going Socialist. Even my old woman has quit me. I told her that if she'd return to her first love I'd buy her two calico dresses and a side saddle. She

said: 'I'll not do it. I'm going to stay with the Socialists and wear silk dresses and ride in automobiles.'"

Now, all the above statements are true, and I am willing to swear to them in open court. Parasites oppose Socialism because it will prohibit them from obtaining tear-washed and blood-stained dollars. Others oppose it for the want of sense. And I'll swear to those two statements. There is not an honest man on earth who understands Socialism but what is a Socialist at heart. And I'll swear to that statement.

Prof. Zeublin, of Chicago, says: "Most college men are Socialists and most of the really intelligent people everywhere. You may not believe that, but if you will take the pains to investigate you will be convinced. People who never read books are not Socialists." And I'll swear to the truthfulness of that statement.

E. F. STANTON,
Davidson, Okla.

In order to make room for a car of new goods I have bought, I will sell more furniture for less money for the next ten days than has ever been sold in Duncan. Talk is cheap but a visit to my store will convince you that I mean what I say.—Yates' Furniture Store.

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Remember! A vote against the constitution is a vote for coal miners to work over eight hours and without any safeguards against accident.

There was an eight-pound democrat born around at Dr. Saunders' home last Thursday morning. It is to be hoped that the poor boy will grow out of it, but the chances are against him, considering the democrats in the light of their past history.

Stanton's Speech.

The speech delivered in the court house last night by Prof. E. F. Stanton on Socialism was the most powerful condemnation of capitalism and by far the strongest defense of Socialism we've ever heard. For two hours the "Singing Orator" held the audience spell-bound with the glorious gospel of Socialism.

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RENT.

The writer recognizes the fact that his method of teaching economic truth in regard to taxation is very apt to leave the mind of those who desire to learn in a hazy sort of condition. The way the Banner deals with the matter is sufficient proof of that. Of course the Banner hates to demonstrate its ignorance and we can't blame it. Think of a great religious weekly admitting that it knows no more about the incidence of taxation than a horned frog.

There are a great many other things the Banner knows nothing about. Physical law as it bears upon the motion of men and wealth is one. And astronomy is another. I am writing this article with the view of clearing up all ambiguities that may serve to cover the nature of rent and taxation. This article will deal with rent alone.

The physical law comes first. All matter tends to flow to a common center. The law of gravitation must be a universal law. Man is no more than a form of matter and the law governs him just as it governs everything else. Notice the formation of this community. It has a center and circumference just as the solar system and each of its members has a center and circumference. And men and wealth tend to flow to its center just as matter in general flows to a common center. Therefore the formation of the community and its activities are primarily due to the persistent operation of physical law.

The fact that the population and wealth of a community tend to flow to the center makes the center of the community the most desirable place to work and live. The very center is the most desirable and the outer edge the least desirable place to work and live. Con-

sequently we all want to get as near the center as we can get. As a natural consequence competition sets in and the strongest competitor gets the location. I hold that we cannot abrogate the physical law. Consequently we cannot abrogate its corollary, the law of competition. At least not in this case.

The law of competition we class as an economic law. The operation of the physical law is only recognized in a very hazy sort of way. We see it "through a glass darkly." Actions that are really due to the operation of physical law we attribute to superior intelligence or the want of intelligence. And man, next to God, is the great "I am." That's the way the Banner sees it. In accordance with our hazy view we accord to men the right to kill in self defense. But we deny them the right to steal. Property is more sacred than life. And the Almighty dollar rules the roost. The Banner says "Amen" and approves the rule.

Competition between individuals with the view of securing the most desirable location produces rent. That is the price the individual is willing to pay for a certain location. This rent arises materially because of the operation of physical and economic law. It must necessarily exist wherever civilization exists. Therefore it is a condition as firmly established as civilization itself. The Banner imagines it is due to the superior quality of sawdust that fills what would otherwise be a vacuum in the head of a democratic editor. Natural rent gives rise to what we call speculative rent. This form of rent is due to the fact that the individual in obedience to that force in nature that leads matter to follow the line of least resistance endeavors to secure the rise of rent that must necessarily follow every increase in population. In this case one can readily see that the supply is ex-

tremely limited while there is a steady increase in the demand. Here is where the law of supply and demand follows and accentuates the expression of the law of competition. The Banner imagines the consequent rise in value is due to the fact that the father of the lot owner owned niggers "befo' de wah" and consequently was a democrat.

The individual may secure a location not because he wants to work and live on it but because the constant increase of pressure arising from increasing population and its natural tendency to flow to the center causes the value to rise regardless of what the owner may do or not do. And so the owner may reap this rise at the expense of the user. As population flows in, this value flows out as it were and the speculator endeavors to head it off. The consequent holding of locations vacant, serves to raise rent beyond its natural bounds and this raise is what we call speculative rent. Rent is therefore formed of two separate and distinct elements. One is natural and the other is artificial. Allowing the individual to reap the first causes him to produce the second.

What we call rent in common parlance is made up of these two elements with another element added in. The two first elements are seen in the value of a vacant lot and this other element is brought in when the lot is improved. If I rent a house and lot, a part of the price I pay is natural rent, another part is speculative rent and yet another part is a return for the use of the improvements and is therefore interest, or the return to capital. I sell a vacant lot at an advance over what I gave for it, I have reaped both natural and speculative rent. If instead of selling the lot I build a house and then rent the property I reap natural rent, speculative rent and interest. The state endeavors to take a part of each element and convert it into common property such as a school or road. I hold that the state has a natural right to natural rent. But not to any other element. If the state would take the natural rent speculative rent would disappear and interest would go to capital in accordance with the laws of trade. As it is capital reaps natural rent, also speculative rent and interest into the bargain. It is the power to so reap that causes centralization of capital. Speculation holding locations idle, by forestalling use, places labor at the mercy of capital to reap wages also leaving labor barely enough in a vast number of cases to keep body and soul together. When we say rent we mean the reaping of that value that attaches to the ground not because of what the individual does, but because of what society is doing. And that value attaches to a vacant lot.

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MAN OR MACHINE.

Robert G. Ingersoll, the great republican orator, made the following Socialist speech that few Socialists have equalled:

Invention has filled the world with the competitors not only of laborers, but of mechanics—mechanics of the highest skill. Today the ordinary laborer is for the most part a cog in a wheel. He works with the tireless—he feeds the insatiable. When the monster stops the man is out of employment, out of bread. He has not saved anything. The machine that he fed was not feeding him; was not working for him—the invention was not for his benefit. The other day I heard a man say that it was almost impossible for thousands of good mechanics to get employment, and that, in his judgment, the government ought to furnish work for the people. A few minutes after, I heard another say that he was selling a patent for cutting out clothes, that one of his machines could do the work of twenty tailors, and that only the week before he had sold two to a great house in New York, and that over forty cutters had been discharged.

On every side men are being discharged and machines are being invented to take their places. When the great factory shuts down, the workers who inhabited it and gave life to it, as thoughts do the brain, go away and it stands there like an empty skull. A few workmen, by force of habit, gather about the closed doors and broken windows and talk about distress, the price of food and the coming winter. They are convinced that they have not had their share of what their labor created. They feel that the machines inside were not their friends. They look at the man-

sion of the employer and think of the places where they live. They have saved nothing—nothing but themselves. The employer seems to have enough. Even when employers fail, when they become bankrupt, they are far better off than the laborers ever were. Their worst is better than the toilers' best.

The capitalist comes forward with his specific. He tells the workingman that he must be economical—and yet under the present system, economy would only lessen wages. Under the great law of supply and demand every saving, frugal, self-denying workingman is unconsciously doing what little he can to reduce the compensation of himself and his fellows. The slave who did not wish to run away helped to fasten the chains upon those who did. So the saving mechanic is a certificate that wages are high enough. Does the great law demand that every worker live on the least possible amount of bread? Is it his fate to work one day, that he may be able to get food enough to be able to work another? Is that to be his only hope—that and death?

Capital has always claimed and still claims the right to combine. Manufacturers meet and determine upon prices, even in spite of the great law of supply and demand. Have the laborers the same right to consult and combine? The rich men meet in the bank, the clubhouse, or parlor. Workingmen, when they combine, gather in the street. All the organized forces of society are against them. Capital has the army and the navy, the legislative, the judicial, and the executive departments. When the rich combine, it is for the purpose of "exchanging ideas." When the poor combine, it is "conspiracy." If they act in concert, if they really do something, it is a "mob." If they defend themselves, it is "treason." How is it that the rich control

the departments of government? In this country the political power is equally divided among the men. There are certainly more poor than there are rich. Why should the rich control? Why should not the workers combine for the purpose of controlling the executive, legislative and judicial departments? Will they ever learn how powerful they are?

In every country there is a satisfied class—too satisfied to care. They are like the angels in heaven, who are never disturbed by the miseries of earth. They are too happy to be generous. This satisfied class asks no questions and answers none. They believe the world is as it should be. All reformers are simply disturbers of the peace. When they talk low, they should not be listened to; when they talk loud, they should be suppressed.

The truth is today what it always has been—what it always will be—those who feel are the only ones who think. A cry comes from the hungry, from the oppressed, from the down-trodden, from the unfortunate, from men who despair and from women who weep. There are times when mendicants become revolutionists—when a rag becomes a banner, under which the noblest and the bravest battle for the right.

How are we to settle the unequal contest between men and machines? Will the machine finally go into partnership with the laborer? Can these forces of nature be controlled for the benefit of her suffering children? Will the workers become intelligent enough and strong enough to be the owners of the machines? Will these giants, these Titans, shorten or lengthen the hours of labor? Will they give leisure to the industrious, or will they make the rich richer, and the poor poorer?

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