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Regeneration vs Close Communion

One of Gods chosen deciples, commonly known as a Baptist minister, down the road at a little town on the Rock Island, took it into his head to visit a weak sister while her husband was at prayer meeting.

They hadn't communed but a few minutes, when he started in to show her the glories and advantages of being regenerated and born of the spirit. Now sister says he, when you are born twice you are saved, and the gates of hell cannot prevail against you, nor me either for that matter, nor by the holy smokes both of us if the light has gone out. Now my lovey dovey sweet-heart, what is the use of us plodding through life with faces a yard long when we are already saved, God knew what Adam and Eve would do to that tree of wine saps when he let them get ripe.

Now honey the old man is over at the house of God getting born over once more, and he won't know a thing about it, in fact nobody but God will know, and we already have him squared. You know how kind our heavenly father was to Mary Magdalene, don't the scriptures positively say that if you believe and be babsouzed you are saved, thank God for his generosity in providing plenty of faith and water. "That's right kiss your darling" we will hold commuion again next time the old man goes to prayer-meeting, no need of getting scared he won't be back for an hour.

"Now there was a lake running right along by the side of this house and a window opening over it." Some prying young fellows who doubted the faith of this man of God, had decided to watch the house. And when they had been convinced that this peddler of salvation to the whole soul, was bent on staying awhile, one of them went to inform the old man of how matters stood. The old man came, bringing with him amagazine shotgun. The other fellows stationed themselves at the back door and the windows that didn't open out on the lake, while the irate husband bolted right through the front door, starting a rough house immediately, at the rate of about two shots a second. The preacher who suddenly decided that his visit was out, started out at the back door. There he found a man,. He rushed for the window and found another man. Suddenly remembering that water was one of the surest means of salvation he went bodily through the window overlooking the lake, and swam to worldly salvation and theological oblivion. It seems that the preachers of this country are establishing quite a record of sexual criminality. They stand almost at the head of the professions for seduction, but it must be remembered that Heaven is full of adulterers and murders, while hell is densely populated with such men as Jefferson, Washington, Lincoln, Franklin and Paine, who were so busy working for the betterment of humanity that they didn't have time to beleive that God would punish a man throughout the endless ages of eternits just simply because he thought that his goodness was too great.

We don't say that Socialism will abolish all these illicit close communions, but we do say that it will render conditions so much better, hat when a girl reaches maturity that she will be so high-minded, intellectual and independent that when she marries she will marry a man that is absolutely fitted both in-tellectual and physical to be her mate. And when she is so mated and one of these forked tongued serpents of the cloth comes along and goes to quoting scripture to her as a means to carry his degenerate plans out, she will slap a kink in his neck that will very much resemble the hair spring in a ladies watch.

Somebody said that Jeasus Christ was a carpenter, it's a dickens of a wonder the preachers don't take a tumble themselves, and do a little work on the side, they ought to at least do enough work to buy life preservers to use when they have sudden call across bodies of water and havent got time to wait for a boat.

This swimming bee we are making so much fuss over, came off down at Sugden I. T. just a few days ago.

SHAWNEE, OKLA., July 4, 1907.

EDITOR JUSTICE,

Dear Comrade: I wish to congratulate you for the couragous and fearless fight you are waving against capitalism (the crime of the ages). As a gunner you are a peach and Justice is the most effective ammunion to be had in all Dixie. Prejudice and superstition is the armour of capitalism. Hurl the broad-sides harder and faster into the enemy's camp brother, if possible, until the old fossil ignites and is devoured amid its own lurid flames.

Yours for Justice,

J. W. Doss, 232 Oak St.

P. S: Local interprise of Shawnee has 20 dues paying members. Please send me a few copies of Justice, perhaps I can send in a few subscriptions.

The Coming Veterinary.

Everett Garvin, a smart (?) looking young democrat, with a drop of cold buttermilk on one eye, who has a good many democratic remarks to make about the Socialists, came in the other day, and informed us that he was attending the normal school, to review his studies, so he could get through the common school, so he could go through the high school, so he could go through the A. & M. College so he could make a vetenary surgeon out of himself. We told him that he ought to make a pretty good stake around here in the spring of the year, softening up cow-bags if he was not afraid of breaking his neck by hunching too hard.

If you will just read Justice regularly you will learn a great deal. Of course us Socialists don't know it all. Solomon was the only man who ever knew it all, and he was so busy looking after his thousand wives (mostly coons) and paving his way to heaven, that he didn't have time to give the world the benefit of his knowledge. Let's see, Solomon repented and sailed off to heaven, didn't he? That showed that he was wise alright, repenting at the right end of his life.

Nothing is better proof of a democrats ignorance than for him to walk up and start a conversation with a man in the audience of a Socialist speaker, especially if it is a lawyer ot real estate man who is supposed to be making his living on his brains (?). These ignorami never try to keep up with the train of argument of a Socialist speaker, they are smart, they already know. They know that Bryan's head contains all the political knowledge in the world, and they themselves are just a little worm dust out of the tree of life.

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erto unheard of who formulated the grandest government that ever existed up to that time, but we can't rely on men who have been dead a century to wrestle with problems that have been in exsistence only a few years. We have positively got to handle this problem of concentrated wealth or give up all hope of freedom. There is certainly no record in history of any class of oppressors who willingly extended freedom to the oppressed. We must remember that the men of brains who are now manipulating this government will still be seeking employment, and by keeping the powers of government always in the hands of the people these men will be very valuable. It must be remembered that these men have been true to the class they supported, and when the whole world is captured by the workers their intellect will be at the command of the whole people who will then be in power instead of the few people who are now in power. Remember that labor saving machinery under capitalism fully developed is an ever growing menace to the man who depends on the sale of his labor for a living. The very man himself who invents the machinery is at the mercy of the capitalist to finance him before he can get his machinery patented. Why shouldn't the public who has to use this machine reward the inventor and use the machine to lighten the burdens of labor instead of letting some heartless capitalist get controll of it that may use it to enslave the masses with.

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

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Brainy Slaves.

There is not a nation in the civilized world so well provided with intellectual prostitutes as the United States. We have an example of broad minded mental giants who have the ability to write their names in letters of fire in the future history of this greatest of all movements, actually bartering their liberty, honor and intellectuality to the class that is using their brains to forge chains for their children. Oh! God, must it take another bloody revolution to wake up the sleeping goddess of liberty. She must and shall be woke up, if not by cold penetrating reason, then it shall be as it has ever been, by the slash of saber and the roar of cannon. The human race will not long consent to be held in bondage. The eye lids of the sleeping giant of labor are beginning to twitch. Some of these days he will awake with roar that will shake the very foundation of capitalism to the ground and this murderous old system dripping with the heart's blood of the millions it has crushed will sink into the earth as fertiliser for the ground from which will spring the glorious co-operative commonwealth. Over in Europe where ignorance sits on the throne of hypocrisy in the cathedral, justice behind the bars, there is not a man on that only ladder that leads to the emancipation of the race, (namely science) that does not believe in molding shackles, swords and chains into useful articles. Over there it is the educated class that the plutocracy and obligarchy fear. But over here this very class, owing to the country being yet undeveloped, are allowed to share in the luxuries that the laboring class is exploited out of, and in this way their honor, their intellect and the future happiness of their children is bought. Come on some of you craven cowards and defend yourselves. You can stand around and sneer at people whose boots you are not fit to blacken. But if you were in a well and it took an original idea to get you out you would stay there a billion years before you got up high enough to fall back and sprain your ankle. You are bound to admit to yourself that your stock in trade consists of the ability to look wise, while the most insignificant Socialist in the country can drown you in the slush and slime of your own poisonous argument. Come on, get into print and give us a chance to cut your intellectual throat with our economic razor.

Democratic Nominees.

The following democratic nominees solicit your vote at the general election to be held August 6, 1907:

FOR DISTRICT CLERK—Chas. S. Albright.
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FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER—J. B. Mason.
FOR COUNTY CLERK—Burton Barnes.
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"Roosevelt did not lead the charge any more than you did. There have been a lot of foolish things written about the charge, but it was the tenth regiment that captured San Juan. We did not see anything of Roosevelt. He was on a little hill, called Kettle Hill, several miles away. I was senior officer of the regiment at the time, and when we made the charge we saw nothing of Roosevelt or his cavalry.

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Simpleminded and Utopian.

ETOWAH, OK., July 16, 1907.

June 28th Justice printed an article from Comrade G. F. Bentley, national committeeman of the Socialist party, headed simple minded. Under that heading his aim is to answer my article on June 14th and takes snap judgement in placing me in the ranks of utopians. Now I find plenty of utopians in all the old political parties who try to make you believe that in time their party will bring everything around in good time. Some even claim that god will bring it about. We also have a number of impossibilists in the old political parties who say Socialism is alright, but can not be brought about. As for myself I cannot conceive the idea that I ever wrote anything that dwells anyways close to utopianism. I was laboring under the impression that my writings consisted of real revolutionary Socialism, but in a very mild form, as I hardly believed it necessary in writing to a Socialist paper and to the admonition of the Socialist party. If I had been answering any of the political parties I expect I would have used a little more venom in my language to show their capitalistic tyranny to the workers.

Now comrade, does not the Socialist party stand and defend the rights of the toiler in order to bring about the co-operative commonwealth by destroying rent, interest and profit, the three grand levers used against the toiler. I claim to be a Socialist of the genuine fighting kind and am fighting everything that smacks of capitalism. No matter whether it is under a state law, territorial law, kingdom, empire or zardom, Socialists have to contest every inch of ground they stand on for their emancipation and that contest has to be fought not by utopian dreams, nor can it be fought under the banner of conservatism or compromise. You misjudge me as much as Teddy misjudged Comrades Debs, Moyer and Haywood when you leave the impression as to your heading of "simpleminded or utopian" from the top round of your ladder of national committeeman to one of his constituents standing close to the bottom round. The Socialists as a party in convention assembled wrote their demands. Said demands were ratified by the Socialists locals by referendum vote at the mass convention. The demands were reaffirmed and the candidates present and others also were to stay with the referendum by a majority. That's what I want all to do, stay with your parties ruling and not come here in the eleventh hour and create a difference. Our candidates and or-

ganizers cannot obey masters. The referendum assuredly said vote down the constitution. Was that not a majority ruling? I do this provided it is a Socialist majority, and if it is not I am fighting it.

Do not the old political parties hold their power by majority rule? And if that is the kind of majority rule that you or any other man believes in the sooner he steps down and out of the Socialist party, the sooner the party will be in a safe position. Now then, you lay a great deal of stress in saying put out the Socialist ticket and vote down the constitution, as that would be damphool thing to do. If you would read up on the territorial election laws, and also the election laws as written down in the state constitution, you would find out that the political party not in the coming election would have a hard time hereafter, and the republican party sees it. They have been agitating no ticket and down with the constitution, but they see their danger. They will put out a ticket, do not fear, and they will help with their votes to adopt the constitution.

Capitalism has its power and holds its power by a majority vote of the visionary capitalists. You say we can do better under the constitution of the state than we can under the territorial laws, not in these words but meaning the same. This constitution is a small capitalistic competition constitution with wire muzzles to check the big capitalist. Will it hold them out. No. Why? They have the money and will have the power to get there. It will be a grand-stand fight between the big and little capitalist at the expense of the toiling masses, and I say it is not the fight of the Socialists. All of them are our enemies and we have to battle against the big and little capitalist, but our worst enemy is the visionary capitalist.

Come again, Comrade Bentley. I will prove to you that there is not one drop of utopian blood in me as my fighting clothes are on my back; that is, what few I have. I suppose that is where you will have another guess coming as to me being simpleminded, and when you look again you will find me in the ditch of suppression and tyranny and fighting for the true principles of emancipation of freedom from all capitalistic ruling power to abolish rent, interest and profit. There is nothing to reform, the constitution built by a reform democracy is neither a soft club or hard club for the Socialist party to whip the enemy with. Let our referendum stand and learn what it will bring. Let us not split it before we know what it will do for us. If you insist in splitting the party in its infancy you are setting a precedent to split and ignore every other referendum of the party hereafter.

Yours for Socialism,

W. R. ROSELIUS.

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County Announcements.

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.

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) Cheves
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This is supposed to be a free country. founded on the principle of equal rights to all and special privileges to none. Yet the churches of this country are exempt from taxation to the tune of \$60,000,000 a year. How do you like this Mr. tax payer, this paying other peoples fare to heaven, while you reap your reward in hell.

Sherman Bell's Empty Threats.

It is of course true that there are many people in Colorado who could, if they would, give valuable assistance in uncovering the inside history of the plot that is culminating in the hellish farce now on the stage in Idaho. But we don't believe that General Sherman Bell is one of them despite his recently reported threats and bluster. Bell was probably far more of a blind tool than a cunning conspirator in the Colorado reign of terror.

His denunciation of the prosecution, the kidnapping, the mine owners and politicians, is due merely to his hatred of the rival who supplanted him, Bulkley Wells, whom he no doubt considers infinitely beneath him in military qualifications.

Looking back at the events which occurred in the districts where he acted the part of military dictator, it would seem that Bells actions simply denoted a person obsessed with a mania for militarism rather than a calculating servitor of capitalist class interests. He seems to have gloried in the idea of the soldier carrying out his "duty," stern, rigid, and inflexible. His reports to Peabody were in his mind, "dispatches from the field of battle," and imitated so far as he knew how, the bullerins of successful generals. His account of the "Battle of Dunville" reads like the sort of stuff that might be used to describe an Austerlitz or a Gettysburg. It was in this that his weakness consisted and his employers knew it, and got rid of him just as soon as they conveniently could. As a matter of fact he was becoming a ridiculous as well as a useless appendage to them, though no doubt he never suspected it. Bulkley Wells, his successor, "a practical man," whose interests as a mine owner guide his acts to a far greater degree than a desire to pose as a military hero.

Bell was in the campaign in Cuba with Roosevelt, and the latter declared him to be "the bravest man he ever knew." This sort of thing to the peculiar temperament of the Bell type, probably out-weighs in value to his mind anything that the mine owners of Colorado could give him in the way of a money remuneration. Had they managed his discharge with a little more tact, and publicly presented him with an engraved and decorated sword as a small memento of his services to the Commonwealth of Colorado, with appropriate enlogies on his military prowess, the warrior's ire would not have blazed forth in this Bombastes Furioso fashion.

In justice to Bell it must be said, however that he fell far short of the scoundrelism and treachery required by his employers. Wells fills the bill all right, but we are inclined to believe Bell when he declares they could not have used him to kidnapp or extort confessions from prisoners as his successor has done.

Just the same we don't believe that Bell will go to Boise and chase his enemies "up on the bare rocks above the timber line." He will stay right where he is in Colorado. A word from Roosevelt will keep him there and we have little doubt but that the word has already been spoken.

The wrath of General Sherman Bell is a terrible thing to contemplate—almost as fearful and appalling as a straw fire or the crackling of thorns under a pot.—Wilshire's magazine.

Fred Kreiger says he don't like it because Col. Maury tickles the little girls under the cheeks. Go it Colonel, that's your profession, teaching young ideas how to shoot.

Don't listen to him he is just a Socialist, said the little half starved real estate grafter, who would starve to death if his wife didn't keep a milk cow.

The printer has just received news that his old girl is about to get married to his old rival in his absence, so don't be surprised if you find our jokes all besmattered with tears this week.

Somebody said the preacher that took the prize down at Sugden the other day for fast swimming was from Marlow. There must be something in that water up at Marlow from the amount of theological missfits and nameless wonders that spring up in that vicinity.

There are a great many people who refuse to vote the Socialist ticket because they don't understand all of its teachings, and at the same time they will vote the old party tickets without understanding any of their teachings. The man who is that unconcerned, generally votes the ticket that is the most popular in the community in which he lives, or worse still, sticks to the out of date ideas of his father who in turn followed in the footsteps of his father, who probably never studied anything deeper than how to skin a skunk without losing any of the odor, and in that way the science of government like that of chewing tobacco, is dragging in the mud and slush at the tail end of human progress.

You, Mr cotton raiser! Do you know that for every day your little child who ought to be in school bends between two cotton rows beneath the burning southern sun, that another ruffle goes on the gown of some aristocratic harlot, who never did a useful days work in her life. Will you forever walk up to the polls and cast the vote that is used for fuel to fire the furnaces of the monstrous mills of greed that grind the hearts blood of your babies into champaign silk stockings and sparkling jewells from which shine the souls of countless millions of murdered infants. You would defend the life of your child with your life, but you poor sap-headed intellectual dwarf you won't do it with your vote, somebody has told you that if you had a chance you would rob the people just like Rockefeller does. So the situation is something like this. Rockefeller is a thief and is deliberately taking the bread out of the mouths of my children, but if I had the chance I would do the same thing. And therefore I am duty bound not to interfere with Rockefeller in his robbing proceedings. Of course if I just had a chance to steal a couple of billions and starve a few children to death, I would do it, but before God I am not going to play traitor to Rockefeller for doing something I would myself, "if I just had a chance" of course I know that my children are being murdered by degrees, and that if I were to vote the Socialist ticket along with enough other men, that this murderous system would be abolished, but I am in this fight to the finish and I am not going to squak just because I am on the bottom, the children can go to hell or manage to squeeze through till me and Rockefeller can crowd some more under them. Now Mr voter there is where you stand, and you cannot deny it, what are you going to do about it.

TAXATION.

Teach a boy from infancy up, that whatever is customary is right, and that evils are necessary, and he will surely develop into a political ignoramus as a man. That is exactly what is the matter with the Duncan Banner. The Banner "believes." It does not know. Political intelligence is entirely absent. The Banner would not know a single taxpayer from a side of bacon if it saw them both together. It is equally ignorant of what constitutes indirect taxation. If indirect taxation was abolished and no other provision made to support the state, the state would starve to death. What tax is it that is not indirect? What constitutes a direct tax? A direct tax is a tax paid by one on whom it is imposed and that cannot be shifted to another person's shoulders. An indirect tax is one that can be shifted. All taxes imposed upon capital in any form constitutes indirect taxation. Because capital cannot be made to pay taxes. Hence a tax upon buildings is paid by tenants, not by landlords. A tax upon merchants is paid by customers, not by merchants. A tax upon machinery is paid by consumers of the product, not by capitalists. In the last analysis all taxes are paid by producers and producers alone. A tax imposed upon agricultural capital comes out of the value of the product, and not out of the value of the machine.

It would not be proper and dignified to call the Banner an unqualified falsifier. Nevertheless the Banner handles the truth in a most reckless and careless manner. The 31½ mills that the Banner harps about with the view of hoodwinking the farmer is ad valorem taxation or what is supposed to be direct tax, excise, stamp, registration, and all such taxes have an indirect bearing.

Under the constitution Duncan might levy taxes on the farmers of Stephens county to make public improvements in Duncan. This would be due to the fact that taxes imposed by the town council are shifted to the farmers' shoulders by the merchants. Duncan is doing that very thing right now. The robbery of the farmer by the town council is only "a drop in the bucket" compared to the robbery perpetuated by the landlords and speculators of the town. The method employed by the town council is responsible for all of the robbery. Landlords and speculators could not rob the farmer if the town council did not authorize them to do so.

Let Duncan draw her revenue directly from the townsite and turn the trade of Duncan loose. Then the farmer will get a square deal so far as Duncan is concerned.

In the meantime we don't propose to let the Banner beg the question of taxation. Taxation as now imposed is unqualified robbery. The Banner calls it "a necessary evil." It could not be an evil of any kind. Did it not constitute robbery? It is robbery of the weak and it serves to enrich the strong. This is one evil that must be abolished before anything at all resembling an equitable distribution of wealth can be brought about.

The contention of the Banner that 31½ mills will be the "greatest" tax that can be imposed under the constitution is silly and childish. Stage Stand community taxes itself 20 mills on the dollar for school purposes alone. Nevertheless the educational facilities furnished to this community are a disgrace and

a shame to a people claiming to be civilized. If the state assumes the right and must necessarily exercise the right to educate the child. It is under a sacred obligation to yield opportunities to all children alike. Duncan says to the farmer "If you want to educate your child come to town." Only the rich can do that. The poor must stay and make rent for the rich.

Section 7 of the constitution reads "The legislature may authorize county and municipal corporations to levy and collect assessments for local improvements upon property benefited thereby, homesteads included, without regard to cash valuation." There is enough economic ignorance embodied in section 7 article 10 to destroy the strongest state that ever existed. And yet it embodies an economic truth also. The truth is contained in the first part of the paragraph. "The cost of improvement should be assessed against property benefited." Apply that principle in an intelligent manner and you will have a perfect system of taxation. The ignorance is expressed in the last six words, "without regard to a cash valuation." Give the interpreting of that section to an ignorant democrat and he will promptly proceed to destroy the state.

An intelligent democrat is the best form of government at a certain stage of political development. An ignorant democrat is a dangerous menace at all times, and this is the kind that is about to afflict Oklahoma.

When Comanche county was organized there was nothing to tax. Yet by drawing upon potential rent in Lawton revenue was secured to pay for all public improvements in Comanche county without a cent of cost to the farmers. This was direct taxation. Public improvements in Stephens county will be made at the farmers' expense. Stephens county will be cursed with indirect taxation. An intelligent democrat will resort to direct taxation for the purpose of raising revenue. In the meantime we can only pray that God in his infinite wisdom will protect us from the frightful evils that always have followed in the footsteps of an ignorant democracy.

DENNIS LEAHY.

That man Orchard is certainly a peach Orchard.

There are 400,000 democrats who never read their own platform—baa-a-a.

Every time you read a copy of Justice send it to some friend. Everybody that reads a copy of it becomes visibly affected.

If you intend to vote the democratic ticket in the general election be sure and don't think or you may sever that cord of ignorance that joins you to the party.

FREE PANTS—with every order for a suit of clothes, you get a pair of pants free—off of the same goods or any other of the same price. This is good for the month of July. Willis Bonner.

Who said Duncan wasn't up-to date? Have you been to the Electric Theatre? If not you have missed something that is pleasing to the sight of mankind. This is a clean, moral entertainment, and is something not often seen in a town the size of Duncan. It is owned and managed by Mr. Robert Russell a home man, and should receive the home patronage.

The Russian Douma is dead again. There seems to be a rushin' doom-approaching the throne of the czar and the aristocracy. Napoleon said nearly a hundred years ago that within that length of time Europe would be either Cossack or republican. The time is nearly up, and liberty is at the heels of every monarch. The growth of Socialism over there is something marvelous.—The We're Here.

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Frank P. O. Hare will speak at the following dates and places. Don't fail to hear him:

Springer, Monday, July 22.
Springer, Tuesday, July 23.
Fox, Wednesday, July 24.
Healdton, Thursday, July 25.
Healdton, Friday, July 26.
Loco, Saturday, July 27.
Comanche, Sunday, July 28.
Comanche, Monday, July 29.
Duncan, Tuesday, July 30.
Duncan, Wednesday, July 31.

See handbills and newspapers for place and hour of meeting.

If there is anybody except capitalists who don't believe in the public ownership of railroads, we would like to have a cut of their head to use in advertising livery stables.

We would just like to know if there is still a republican in the country ignorant enough to believe that lie about Roosevelt being the hero of San Juan.

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

Papa what does democracy mean, ah guan, you brat, how should I know, I am not running for any office.

Carload of new Bain Wagons just received at Ira Loyd's. Call and see them before buying.

The masterpiece in this weeks Justice boosting the Electric was written by the immortal Fred Kreiger.

Bray & Garrett has the nicest place in the city.

The Justice Devil henceforth must have "Mr" nailed on the front end of his name.

Williams the grocer gives full weights and measures.

If you want a real live bargain just go down to The Fair. All odds and ends and short lengths left over from the big sale are now going on at any old prices. 27-tf

Somebody said that the geese laid eggs out in Beaver county last spring as big as hail stones.

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

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

A Socialist is the culmination of thousands of years of scientific and economic investigation.

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

Read every line of this paper. There are facts in it that you will fight for when you once get them into your head.

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

When the democrats steal a Socialist plank they rejoice over it like the Apaches used to rejoice when they kidnapped a white child.

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

We are not going to carry over to another season. Any of this summer goods, if you want a bargain in anything come to see us. 27-tf THE FAIR.

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

Wood Hubbard, the Socialist nominee for congress, made two excellent speeches here last Saturday. He explained the tenets of of Socialism to the thorough dissatisfaction of the grafters. Go it Wood, every sneer of theirs is a boost for Socialism.

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We notice that most of the people that don't understand Socialism claim that it will bring about war. Now the Socialists are preaching abolition, ninety nine percent of the human race is enjoying the luxury of economic slavery. When they are made aware of this fact they will throw off the yoke of bondage, and, of course, if the other one per cent wants to scrap about it and put the race back in chains they will more than likely be accommodated. Imagine, if you are capable of such a thing, a handful of bejewelled, obese, gouty, syphilitic degenerates trying to conquer the invanquishable numbers of aroused sons of toil.

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

Go to T. J. Starr's for fruit jars.

Bring your job work to the JUSTICE office.

The Socialist picnic at Duncan will be postponed indefinitely.

See Williams the grocer for all kinds of fresh groceries.

Old man Norton, the chicken pedler, says: "We republicans have the money." It seems that he and Rockefeller have acquired their millions by foul means.

Men, women and children's shoes and slippers. A few odds and ends to close out at prices lower than ever. 27-tf THE FAIR.

Subscribe for Justice, the only paper in the south that ain't afraid to tell it like it is.

Marshal Lilley arrested Mrs. Ida Morris and Henry Frey yesterday evening. They were charged with attempting to burn the Swan hotel. It was heavily insured. Under Socialism this wouldn't have happened. What do you say? Speak up.

Try some of that pure bee honey at T. J. Williams. Direct from the apiary.

Jim Lee wants to know which is the worst, going fishing or playing base ball on Sunday to lighten the cares of labor through the week or spouting submission out of the pulpit at \$15.00 a spout.

Fred Kreiger says his heart is torn asunder because his girl refused to go to the Electric with him on a Justice comp. Never mind Fred all the girls will be pretty under Socialism, and a fellow wont have to fish down through a barrel of beans to get one with the proper make up.

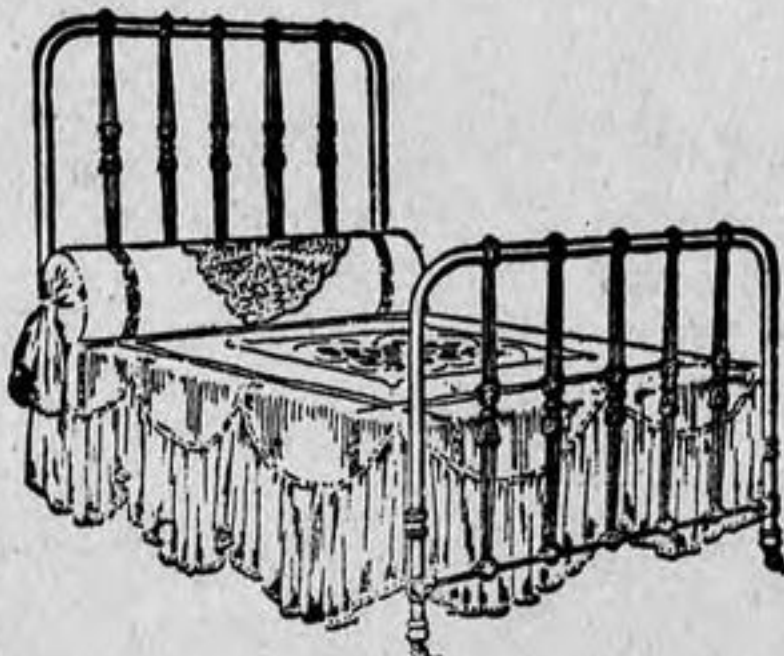
Buy some of that good second grade flour at C. H. Rivier's, at \$2.00 per cwt.

Don't fail to read Bently's article in next week's issue on child slavery in the south. He has just got back from a tour to the south-eastern states. When that big hearted fellow with tears in his eyes told us how he stood in the gateway of a cotton mill in South Carolina a few days ago at five-thirty in the morning and watched the coming nation marching to a living death, we knew that in that unassuming head lay a revelation for the democracy of the south that will make the cheek of any true democrat burn with shame and remorse. Oh! honest democrats of the south, wont you raise up with us in defence of these helples infants who are put on the execution block at six years of age, and whose average life, after they enter these hell holes of torture, is only four years.

We noticed in an editorial in the Duncan Eagle a few weeks ago that if cotton were to go to twenty centy a pound the south would be ruined on account of the prohibitory price of cotton. There, Mr. cotton Raiser, you have it flung in your teeth by a man who has been running a democratic paper for forty years. We can prove that there is more than fifty cents profit in every pound of cotton. Yet if you get anywheres near half what you produce you will be ruined. Did it ever occur to you that if the water was squeezed out of the railroads, factories and democratic heads that there might be some means by which the farmer could get a greater portion of what he produced. Come to think about it the stock in the postoffice department and public schools is not watered a bit. Hit yourself in the head with a base ball bat and get to thinking,

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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.

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A Rule That Works Both Ways

When you trade with me you save a little, I make a little and consequently we both are benefited.

I Have a House Full of

Dry Goods, Hats, and Shoes

Notions and Overalls, also a Big Stock of Groceries

They were not bought to keep but to sell, and I have them marked at prices which will sell them. It's money in your pocket to trade with me. So come in and look for yourself. The goods must go.

Bring Me Your Eggs and Butter I Give the Highest Market Price

C. H. RIVIERE

Leader of Low Prices

Duncan, I. T.

Comrades of Justice.

Dedicated to my life's comrade in memory of other years.

MCFALL, ALA., July 15, 1907.

Owning to the matchless efficiency of the conglomerate called our privately owned R. R system, after 72 hours of dirt and cinders, with 5 changes of cars, I am today sitting in the shade of the great water oaks on the banks of that same bubbling stream as its sparkling waters play over the gravelly beds. I am looking at the same blue sky, listening to the same songs the birds were singing 17 years ago on that fateful Sunday afternoon that I first walked down that red slope to this creek by the side of that 93 pound girl. But I am not thinking the thoughts that I then thought as I tried to unveil the depths of the soul lying hid behind those sparkling mischievous eyes. I have lived to know what it was that had then changed my whole being in an hour. Those old memories are like wine, each succeeding year adds to their richness, and while her eyes may have lost some of their sparkle, that soul has been revealed, matured and tried in the fires of life's realities, weighed in the balance of companionship and found not wanting, has proved to be that one priceless jewel that man is allowed to find but once in life. If the sparkle has faded from those eyes it is revealed in the sparkle of other childish eyes as they prattle around. But we dare not dream long at a time for I have seen other things and instead of the songs of the birds I hear the wails of millions of child slaves crying from the confines of the cotton mills, which I have visited in this fair land, crying not alone for themselves but warning me of the fact that my child may next be marched under that arch way built with letters of fire which guard the gate way

of every cotton factory in the fair southland, declaring that they who enter here leave all hope behind. By the help of a just and mighty god who will help those who try to help themselves, I am going to snatch a flag from this arch of fiery shame and hold it to the conscience of a sleeping nation until they are aroused to the rescue of helpless child slaves and then, and not till then, can I be sure that the sparkle of our own child's eyes will not be dimmed by the dust of a southern cotton mill. I have also seen on this journey the cold body of a father and husband whose life had been offered up to the god of profit for lack of proper safeguards. Then what right have I to sit here among these great oaks and feast my soul on the memories of the past while my brothers' blood cries up from the ground. No, its up and doing for me, and I go to Annis' on tomorrow to take subscriptions for the Chicago Daily Socialist.

G. F. BENTLEY.

Wheat and Flour.

When wheat went up flour followed suit, but when wheat went down flour "stood pat." Duncan Banner, what caused flour to "stand pat?" If you can give the cause tell us what caused the cause. The blessed tariff racket won't meet this case. Flour is an export, not an import. The railroad extortion racket won't meet it either. Railroad rates were the same in both cases. What caused flour to "stand pat?" Where was your vaunted competition?

DENNIS LEAHY.

You know that public ownership of the trusts would better the conditions of yourself and family. But you are too big a coward to quit the party you were raised in, in order to vote for it.

Have you been to the Electric Theatre? If not you had better go, for it will do you good and help you too.

The strength of the poor man lies in his back. His head is weak. The strength of a landlord and speculator lies in his head. His back is weak. One half a days work in a cotton patch would kill a brainy speculator. The poor man is expressly built for work. His back has developed at the expense of his head. The poor man believes because he cannot reason. He cannot reason because he has been taught to believe. DENNIS LEAHY.

Combinations among business men to control the supply of the raw material, limit the output of products, advance the price and increase profits, is safe sane and legitimate proceeding; but when laborers combine to advance the price of the only commodity they may be said to own, namely, labor power, they attack the very foundations of civilized society, and become a menace to law and order. Strange, isn't it!—The We're Here.

Allen & Fuqua for high-grade Groceries. tf

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

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

Wanted!

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

T. J. Starr brought prices on hardware down and is going to keep them down. Get his prices and save money.

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

Let me make your photos and show you that Duncan is equal to the best.—Cline, the photographer.

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

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

Carload of new Bain Wagons just received at Ira Loyd's. Call and see them before buying.

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

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

Special Notice!

From Friday, June 14, until entire summer stock is closed out I will sell all Millinery at one-half price. Come early and get your choice. These are cash prices only.

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No. 1. 160 acres 5 miles out, all leavel land, 3 room house with new barn, 120 acres in cultivation, all fenced; as fine land as ever seen anywhere. Terms \$6500.

No. 2. 160 acres 5 miles out, 140 in cultivation, 3 room house, good barn, all fenced, leavel land, fine place and well improved, terms \$6,500.

No. 3. 297 acres fine land, 120 under cultivation, some timber, running water, all fenced, a great bargain, \$33 per acre, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash balance in 4 years.

No. 4. 233 acres valley land 2 miles from post office and city or Duncan, well improved, 2 sets of buildings, \$40 per acre, terms given on part 4 years.

No. 5. 160 acres, 150 acres in cultivation, new 4 room house, tennant house, house $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from town, all level land, school house on place, all fenced, \$6500, time on $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 years 6 per cent.

No. 6. 320 acres fine valley land, 6 miles from town, 3 sets of buildings, fine farm, all fenced, fine meadow, \$10,000, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash balance 4 years, 6 per cent.

No. 7. 160 acres, 100 in cultivation, good building and well, orchard, vinyard, fenced and cross fenced, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles from town, 10 acres timber. This is one of the best farms in Stephens county. \$4500, terms.

No. 8. 160 acres, 80 in cultivation, good buildings and well, orchard, 5 miles out, balance in timber and grass, \$4200, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash, balance 10 years, 8 per cent.

No. 9. 320 acres creek valley land, 160 in cultivation, 2 sets buildings, timber, running water, 5 miles out, \$9000, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash, balance 4 years, 6 per cent.

No. 10. 80 acres, 60 in cultivation, leavel land, 5 miles out, \$1700, terms.

No. 11. 80 acres, 50 in cultivation, 2 room house, well, pasture fenced on two sides, \$1700, same terms as No. 10.

No. 12. 40 acres all under cultivation, leavel land, no waste land, all in cultivation, no building, \$1500, terms.

No. 13. 42 acres, 2 miles out, 30 in cultivation, well, storm cave, all fenced, nice little home, \$1,800, terms.

No. 14. 40 acres, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles out, all under cultivation, all fenced, valley land, \$1600, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash, balance 4 years.

No. 15. 160 acres grass land, fenced on two sides, \$1800, terms.

No. 16. 160 acres, 75 in cultivation, new 2 room house, well, fenced, 7 miles out, all leavel, no waste land, \$4000, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash, balance 4 years, 6 per cent.

No. 17. 160 acres, 100 in cultivation, good 3 room house, fine farm, young orchard, good well of soft water, \$4500, \$1800 can run 10 years at 8 per cent.

No. 18. 160 acres creek bottom land, fine timber, running water, no finer farm in the southwest, corn and alfalfa, \$6500, terms.

No. 19. 160 acres, 100 under cultivation, 3 room house, large barn, good orchard, all fenced, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to school and store, \$3800.

No. 20. 160 acres on Little Beaver creek, 80 acres in cultivation, 25 bottom land, 4 room house, barn, correll, hog pasture, shed 28x28, 100 pecan trees, running water, some timber, \$3500, time given on \$1500. This is a snap; look it up.

No. 21. Fine valley farm, 100 acres in cultivation, good building and ideal farm, \$5000, $\frac{1}{2}$ cash, balance 4 years.

No. 22. $\frac{1}{2}$ section fine grass and meadow land, would make 2 fine farms, new 3 room house, some timber, fine tank, \$7000, terms.

CITY PROPERTY.

No. 23. $\frac{1}{2}$ block on Main street, fine bearing orchard, \$800 cash.

No. 24. $\frac{1}{2}$ block; north and adjoining No. 23, fine bearing orchard, \$800 cash.

No. 25. 4 room house, fine orchard, 3 lots, large barn and modern conveniences, \$1600.

No. 26. 3 stone buildings, 3 lots Main street, \$9500.

We have a large assortment of dwelling and business property. Call or write for particulars.

HAPPY PAIR.

She was a picture all declare.
(Her outfit cost four hundred dollars.)

A vision radiant and rare,
In half a dozen dainty colors.

Her hat, it was a perfect dream,
Her shoes and gloves of fancy rarest;
Her gown a scintillian sheen,
Brought all the way from dear old Paris.

Her husband was a picture, too,
(In fact, a pictorial collection.)

A pale daguerrotype of woe,
A photograph of dull dejection.

His hat, it was a sad nightmare,
(Not any dream, as was his spouse's.)
His buttons off, or on a tear;
His vest refused to meet his trousers.

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

Land For Sale.

240 acres of the best land in Oklahoma for
sale, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Duncan; 160 acres in cul-
tivation, balance tillable. Price \$40.00 per
acre, part on time. Inquire at JUSTICE office.

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

JUSTICE TO THE FRONT.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 7, 1907.

MR. ED. CHEVES,
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Dear Sir: Will you please mail me a sample
copy of your paper. I have read a great deal
about it and if it is what it is cracked up to
be, it is more than likely that I will become a
subscriber. I am a subscriber to Wilshire's.

Yours fratefnally,
JOHN M. OGLE, 701 Pine St.

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mer pants. Here is where you get extra
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