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Signs of the Coming Storms.

Senator Albert Beveridge on his return from a tour of the western Europe said: "There is only one force that will be benefited by the European war. Socialism will emerge from it with power with seven-league boots."

Already the signs of the coming revolution are showing on every hand in this and other countries. Here are a few 1916 straws that show whence the wind is blowing:

SOCIALISTS WIN FINLAND.

Socialists have a complete majority in the Finnish landtag, the national Finnish parliament. The result of the elections just held showed results as follows: Socialists 105; Old Finns 33; Young Finns 22; Swedes, 21; Agrarians 19. In order to accomplish this result the Socialists were compelled to greatly increase their total vote. Both men and women voted at the election, universal suffrage having been secured as a result of the efforts of the Socialist Party. In 1907 the Socialists had 80,000 votes, which was more than 40 per cent of all votes cast. In the 1914 elections the Socialist captured 90 out of 200 seats in the Finnish parliament. Now they have a majority. Let all American Socialists in this year's campaign do all in their power to duplicate the victory of our Finnish comrades as soon as possible in this country.

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SOCIALISTS WIN IN MINNEAPOLIS.

The Socialists in Minneapolis have scored a great victory in the primary election. Thomas Van Lear, Socialist candidate for mayor, ran far ahead of his capitalist opponents, polling 13,245 votes.

The present old party mayor, Wallace D. Nye, ran third with a paltry 5,455 votes, while the second old party aspirant to the mayoralty, Langum, received 9,022.

Dr. Thomas T. Warham ran fourth with 4, 574, and Platt B. Walker, president of the city council, polled only 4,015 votes.

In Saint Paul, the contest, the Socialist candidates, A. O. Devold and Homer L. Cushman made a good showing. Devold received 700 votes more than his nearest old party opponent.

There is every prospect that Thomas Van Lear will be the next Mayor of Minneapolis, and that the Socialist party will elect every candidate it succeeded in nominating.

This is a fine promise for the fall campaign which is now started by the Socialists, who never rest after any campaign. The result of this primary election is a rebuke to the old party trickery which so long has delivered the people of Minneapolis to corporation rule.

The capitalist press of the city and of the nation had attempted to suppress the news of this Socialist victory. The headlines of the city dailies announced an old party victory.

So far no capitalist daily anywhere in the nation has reported this sweeping Socialist success. The labor unions are lined up solidly behind the Socialist candidates. The scheme to saddle a heavy corporation debt on the city has failed.

VIRGINIA VICTORY.

A Socialist editor has been elected mayor, and in old Virginia at that. In a hard contest at Brookneal, near Lynchburg, E. T. Ginther, editor of the Union Star, was elected Mayor over R. F. Connally, a rich tobacco manufacturer, who was backed by all the anti-Socialist elements. This is getting to be a pretty good country to live in after all.

OTHER SIGNS.

In this connection it is well to be remembered the gain of 25,000 votes in the registrations in Oklahoma, the Milwaukee and Schenectady victories and the tremendous campaign now being waged in Texas.

REAL PREPAREDNESS.

From one end of the country to the other has been raised the cry for "preparedness." At first, merely military and naval preparedness was urged. Very recently industrial mobilization has been included. No emphasis, however, has been laid upon the economic and social preparedness, which is as essential in time of peace as for preparedness for war. Taking stock of these economic and social conditions is not reassuring.

Health.

Public Health Bulletin 76 of the Treasury Department shows that each of the 30,000,000 wage earners in the United States loses on the average about nine days every year on account of sickness. Estimating their wages at $2.00 per day and the cost of medical attention at $1.00 per day, the total annual loss to the wage earners of the nation is approximately three-quarters of a billion dollars. About 300,000 people die annually from preventable diseases.

Monopoly of Natural Resources.

The official governmental bulletins show that 17.7 per cent of the values of farm land, and that 48.4 per cent of the acreage of farm lands in the country was held in tracts of 1,000 acres or more, in 1910. In 1914, 2,694 timber owners held in fee over one-twentieth of the land area of the United States. There is similar monopoly in ownership of urban land and of all fields and mines.

In 1910, there were 37 tenant-operated farms in each 100 farms in the United States, as compared with 28 in 1890, an increase of 32 per cent during 20 years.

Industrial Conditions.

Nearly two million children under sixteen years of age were, in 1910, employed in industry, mining and agriculture.

The Immigration Commission found, in 1909, that the incomes of almost two-thirds of the large number of families which they investigated was less than $750 a year, and of almost one-third was less than $500; while the Industrial Relations Commission report that the cost-of-living investigations show that the very least that a family of five can live upon in anything approaching decency is $700. It is evident that the earnings of a large percentage of the unskilled wage earners of the country are from one to two hundred dollars less than a family needs to maintain a reasonable standard of living. The Military Preparedness shouters had better look after this end of our unpreparedness. In case of war we would be licked before we started, even though ten million men were under arms.

THE NEW WORLD.

Charles Lincoln Phifer, for many years associate editor of the Appeal to Reason, has established a most unique monthly magazine, The New World, at Girard, Kas.

Comrade Phifer is a spiritualist and he receives and publishes what he is convinced the written messages of such great departed spirits as J. A. Wayland, Elbert Hubbard, Ralph Waldo Emerson and others, including his own uplifting and pungent paragraphs. Whatever one may believe about the origin of all these writings, nevertheless they are readable and interesting and somehow lift up and inspire even the most hardened skeptic and materialist.

Write Comrade Phifer for a sample copy.

Again, a certain Lumber King, this time over in Texas, charged a certain Labor Leader over in Louisiana with being a "Free lover." The answer was, "Shut up, or I'll sick Florence on you." He shut. O you Foxy Grandpa.

J. W. Ramon is in the fight to a finish; he sends in another bunch this week.

A DEMOCRATIC CARPET-BAG GOVERNMENT.

How many of you Southern Democrats know that the great, grand, old Democratic party is actually planning a carpetbag government in the Republic of Nicaragua, Central America? Not one of you in a thousand, we will bet, but we Socialists are telling you the truth; just the same, United States troops are now in that Republic, and have been for months, keeping in power a Morgan government, a government that everybody, including the big Banks, admits would not exist 48 hours if the Nicaraguan people had anything to say about it. It is exactly the same sort of government that the Black Republican party imposed upon the Southern states in the Reconstruction; in fact, the Democratic party is "reconstructing" Nicaragua just as the Republicans "reconstructed" the South; that is, is holding down its helpless people while looters from the four corners of the Earth rob them of their lands, forests, mines, homes and liberty.

Where now, will you please tell us, is the difference between the Black Republican and Black Democratic parties? What is the difference between a Republican Carpetbag government in Louisiana and Texas and a Democratic Carpetbag government in Nicaragua and Mexico? Where has gone all your party's bitter denunciation, all its alleged hatred of the infamous system of government? Lastly, what is the Democratic(?) government of Dixie if it is not a Carpetbag-Scalawag government of our people in the interests of the handles of Wall Street? Yes, the rebels of today are from Missouri. Show us the difference, please.

State Convention Socialist Party.

Yoakum, Tex., July 16, 1916.

By authority vested in me I do hereby call a meeting of the State Convention of the Socialist Party of Texas, to meet at Temple, Texas, Aug. 6, 1916, at 10 a. m. for the purpose of legally nominating state officers and presidential electors.

To satisfy the Terrell Election Law we must hold this convention otherwise there would be no use of having it. Would be glad to meet as many of the comrades there as possible as there may be some other business to come up of interest to our organization.

Patton McCord,
State Chairman Socialist Party.

THE LAND PETITION.

We are informed by Comrade G. T. Lewis of Eastland Co. that one objection has been made to the petition calling that "to shift the tax from the improvements on land to the land itself would cause a deficit in revenue on the Landlords would reimburse themselves by raising rents, causing the tenants to suffer."

The tax on land would be so levied, as to raise the needed revenue. A tax on improvements is a fine on man's industry which is wrong. Land, *raw land*, is the gift of God to man and it should be alone taxed; except Franchises of corporations that have a certain income.

The object of the petition is to enable the industrious renter to secure and pay for a home. The tax plan would be so adjusted as to make this object possible, otherwise it would be a failure.

Tax the land of those who do not use and occupy it, if need be to the full rental value. This would bring no profit to the owner of all such land would be on the market, cheapening it, so as to make the object of the petition possible.

NATION'S LABOR PROBLEM.

Some papers are presenting a long article well written and to the point, by Peter Radford pointing out the slavery of women and children in the cotton fields of the South 1,514,000 of women alone. He shows the crying evil of 409,000 being under 16 years of age, and asks "What is the final destiny of a nation whose future mothers spend their girlhood days behind the plow, pitching hay and hauling manure," etc. etc. to all of which he has by his past actions said: "Let us go from bad to worse. He worked for the election of the rotten Democratic party machine that in 1914 robbed the cotton farmers and those same women and children, he now slobbers over with his sympathy to the tune of $50.00 on every bale of cotton. He is still working for and with the same gang. "False Friends." men of his kind are more dangerous than are the out and out robber, because "actions speak louder than words."

Quit your complaining or align yourself with the only party that has a plan, program and platform to make an end to the misery you point out but work and vote to continue.

KICKED BY THE DONK.

A youthful cartoonist, J. Redwine, of St. Joe, Tex., sends The Rebel the above cartoon, which he not only drew but engraved with his own hands, ready to be printed. While it is not precisely a work of art, yet it tells the story of the southern cotton slave. He is driving down the donk of the donk and the latter still has hay. Promising and pleasing.

PUBLICITY AND THE INCOME TAX.

(By Eugene V. Debs.)

That the principle of the income tax is sound and that the tax itself is just no honest person will deny. That the law carrying this principle into effect and levying this tax and providing for its collection is a matter of vital interest and far-reaching consequences to the people is equally obvious and self-evident.

This being true, the income tax law, if honestly enacted and executed, will commend itself to every good citizen, and by taxing the wealth instead of the poverty of the nation, yield an annual harvest of hundreds of millions to the public treasury.

But unfortunately the present law, designedly or otherwise, is sadly inadequate and ineffective. Not one quarter of the amount actually due on income under the law is collected, and the Secretary of the Treasury has himself been compelled to admit the impotency of the law in lacking the means necessary to enforce its provisions.

Basil M. Manly, the expert government investigator, has proved beyond question that there is an annual shortage of $320,000,000 in the returns under the present law and that the chief cause of this staggering evil is the secrecy under the cloak of which returns are permitted to be made. The obvious remedy for this glaring evil is undoubtedly PUBLICITY.

What possible excuse can there be for clothing these rich rascals with secrecy so as to enable them not only to rob the public treasury, but also escape the penalty of perjury?

The people have a right to know about these returns as to whether or not they are made honestly and in accordance with the law.

There is no law upon the statute books that permits a poor man to violate its provisions in secret that he may escape its penalties. No indeed! And there ought not to be, nor should a rich robber be shown one particle more consideration.

PUBLICITY OF RETURNS UNDER THE INCOME TAX LAW is the demand that the people must make upon Congress, and that without delay. Every day of neglect entails a loss to the people, as Manly has shown, of a round million dollars.

Write to your Congressman and to your two senators for a publicity of returns and for absolute enforcement of all provisions, and this for two principal reasons, both of which are of vital interest to the people: (a) Three Hundred and Twenty Million Dollars more will go into the public treasury every year, thereby providing the revenue which must be raised in other ways; and (b) The people will have accurate and unimpeachable information as to the concentration of wealth in the United States and as to the insignificant percentage of the ruling class who practically own the nation and control the destiny of its hundred million inhabitants.

Write and write at once as herein suggested and do your share to have those who own the country's wealth also bear their share of its financial burdens.

IN HIS MEMORIAL Day address President Wilson asked if the business men who want preparedness would "give the young men in their employment freedom to volunteer for the thing." But what sort of "freedom" is it which an employer may give or withhold? President Wilson has a well developed sense of humor. Was this remark a bit of irony? Did he want to convey to the American people that so long as one class must depend on another for permission to earn a living, so long must their boasted freedom be but a sham?

Karl Liebknecht Sentenced.

Karl Liebknecht has been sentenced to serve two and one-half years in prison because he had the courage to say what he thought about war in the midst of war.

The German government has taken from the ranks of its most valiant Socialist and most powerful voice of protest. The militant German Socialist, whose voice from the first has been raised in opposition to war, has been torn from his public office, from his place in the rank and from his family.

Dr. Karl Liebknecht is the best of the three great anti-war fighters in Europe. His two fellow Socialists, Jean Jaurez of France and Keir Hardie of England are dead. He was one of the most pronounced internationalists and will not condone any nationalist activities, looking upon them as a betrayal of the rights of the nations, both political and industrial.

Militarism is his particular target and, a little over three years ago he invited a world famous man, he fired a broadside into the entire international scheming by exposing the alliance between the Krupps of Germany and Tripoli for the propagation of war fever with a view to the sale of war munitions.

Liebknecht is a lawyer, and the son of the celebrated Wilhelm Liebknecht, one of the first Socialist members of the Reichstag.

The knowledge that the Socialist movement of Germany as well as other countries stand back of him, despite differences of opinion as to tactics, has prevented any severe penalties being imposed upon him.

In 1907 he was tried on a charge of high treason at Leipzig, the charge being based upon the publication of a pamphlet exercising militarism. He was sentenced to eighteen months in a military prison.

Four years ago, when the Czar of Russia visited Germany, he vigorously assailed the authorities for permitting him to enter the empire, calling him "the representative of barbarous tyranny."

At the outbreak of the European war he voted against the war credits and has since unceasingly attacked the government for its mock patriotism and militarism.

A few months ago he was forbidden to proceed in a speech in the Reichstag when he declared that the murder of Archduke Franz Ferdinand was considered a godsend by the Junkers of Austria and Germany.

Liebknecht's stand has been successful and in a division in the Socialist representation in the Reichstag has drawn many to his support.

In the election of an Executive Committee a few days ago, the radical Socialists were victorious, Rosa Luxemburg being among its new members.

PEARSON'S WILL BE ILLUSTRATED.

Beginning with the September number Pearson's will become an illustrated magazine. Cost of production will necessarily be increased as the magazine is improved.

In view of these facts the management has decided to withdraw on November 1st the fifty cent certificates by means of which Pearson's has been subscribed for at the rate of $1.00 a year.

The withdrawal of these certificates also means that on and after November 1st all clubbing rates will be raised.

Subscribe NOW and get The Rebel and Pearson's both for $1.25. Address all orders to

The Rebel, Hallettsville, Tex.

"Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel."—Dr. Johnson.

Debs for Congress

(By Max Shercer.)

Terre Haute, Ind.—Debs can be elected to Congress!

No one but the Socialists themselves can defeat him.

This is my sincere conviction now. I came down here sceptical about 'Gene's prospects but I am sceptical no longer. I believe that Debs' chances to record a Socialist victory are excellent. And I arrived at this conclusion after talking with and interviewing numerous persons in every walk of life, none of whom were Socialists.

I talked with miners and clerks, lawyers and glass blowers, editors, porters, politicians and bell-boys. I questioned labor leaders, conversed over the phone with clergymen and made it my business to over-hear conversations in restaurants and other public places. The sentiment in favor of Debs' election was by no means unanimous, I am satisfied that I am not over optimistic in stating that the comrades the country over ought to take up this campaign seriously and feel assured that the efforts put forward will not be in vain. The people of the Fifth Indiana Congressional district generally, and the people of Terre Haute particularly have had the bad fortune to have a taste of democratic and republican party domination in its worst form. They are thoroughly sick of it. They want no more of it. They are clamoring for a change.

One minister, who repeatedly assured me that he was not a Socialist and that he did not believe in it, said to me: "Debs has made Terre Haute famous; long before I came to this town I had heard of it in connection with Mr. Debs' name. The Democratic-Roberts machine has made Terre Haute infamous, so much so, that the name Terre Haute today suggests graft and political corruption in their lowest forms. The name Terre Haute in the nation reeks with political filth and leaves a nauseating taste when it is mentioned. The only man today that can redeem Terre Haute's name, the only man that can drag it out of the mire and pelt into which rotten politics plunged it, is Mr. Debs. Debs' election to Congress from this district will advertise Terre Haute anew.

"I do not agree with all of Mr. Debs views," continued the clergyman, "but I am going to vote for him and I know many others who will do likewise."

Asked how the vote for Debs would affect the balance of the Socialist ticket, he declared that he believed most people would have no other choice than vote the Socialist ticket in its entirety. The masses have lost faith in the democratic and republican parties, the progressive party has been betrayed by its false prophet and they are now turning to Socialism instead of religion, he concluded.

Philip K. Reinbold, president of the Central Labor Union for eight terms, and repeatedly a delegate to A. F. of L. conventions from the Cigarmakers' International Union is not a member of the Socialist Party. He is a keen observer, however, and is in close touch and well posted on the sentiment of Terre Haute's 18,000 workers. He is what is generally termed a good "mixer" and is popular among the professional and middle class people.

Elect Entire Ticket.

"There is enough socialist sentiment here," said Mr. Reinbold, "to elect the entire socialist ticket. It needs but to be crystalized to show results. The sudden growth of socialist sentiment in our community is a surprise to me. I believe you people can elect Debs if you go at it in the right way."

The republican candidate for Congress from this district is J. Edward Sanders. Sanders is the attorney of the notoriously labor hating Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co., which controls a net work of Indiana interurban railways which are owned by an eastern group of capitalists. He is also the attorney for the Vandalia Railroad Co. Both companies have earned the whole-hearted hatred of the people of the state and it is unlikely that they will vote for the corporations' attorney. Sanders' candidacy is not taken seriously by anyone but Sanders himself.

The democratic candidate against Debs is Ralph W. Moss, a dyed-in-the-wool standard democrat. Moss never repudiated the jail-bird — Roberts machine, but on the contrary intervened in behalf of Roberts and the gang. Moss is a farmer, principally engaged in farming the farmers of his district. Moss' only outstanding achievement in eight terms of chair-warming in Congress is his Rural Credits Bill which has a neat little string tied to it. That string is conceded to be a good thing for some private banks and the farmers kind of a fool for the farmers for whose benefit the law was presumably enacted. It is generally believed hereabouts that a number of private banks in which Moss is said to be a heavy stockholder are going to reap a record harvest from the Moss bill.

The progressives have no candidate; having retired to and obscurity simultaneously with the demise or assassination of the parent organization in Chicago.

Work To Be Done.

This is the political situation in this district in a nutshell. 'Gene has an excellent chance to go to Congress. If he does not go it will not be the fault nor the blindness of the people of this district. It will be our own fault in not having made the most of one of the rarest opportunities that ever presented itself to us. There is only one way in which we can have Comrade Debs in Congress. We must make a determined effort to reach the 24,000 farmers of this district who never even heard about Socialism, and if they did hear anything, did not hear the truth. We must reach the 10,000 organized miners, 90 per cent of whom are voters. We must reach over 12,000 workers engaged in numerous other industries. We must reach several thousand self-hypnotized "capitalists" who are millionaires from their eye brows up, and wake them from the hypnotic spell.

If we succeed in reaching but one half of all these, with our message then 'Gene will be a member of the Socialist group in the next Congress. These people can be reached and elaborate plans are now being formed to reach them. A great deal along this line, has already been accomplished thru the team work of Noble C. Wilson, the campaign manager and a splendid group of comrades who made up the campaign committee.

THE CRISIS IS UPON US:

The Senate today adopted the reactionary "five-year program" — contracted into three extravagant years — proposed by the Navy League and the Navy General Board. This program, if accepted by the House — which has once rejected it — will tie up the American people for the next three years by contracts let this year in excitement and under pressure. *This is an unprecedented action in our democracy.*

OUR CONSTITUTION FORBIDS APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARMY for a longer period than TWO YEARS. Our forefathers had heard of MILITARISM but they had not heard of NAVALISM. If they could have foreseen the present-day combination of ship-builders. Navy Leagues and admirals with the "quarter-deck mind", who can doubt they would have included naval appropriations under the two-year limitation!

This three-year program is utterly undemocratic in principle. It has its solitary parallel in the course adopted by the German Emperor in forcing the adoption of a TWENTY-YEAR PROGRAM which has ever since effectually blocked the growing anti-war sentiment of the German people.

WRITE OR WIRE YOUR CONGRESSMAN AND *THE PRESIDENT* that this administration has no mandate from the people to force OLD WORLD NAVALISM, even in principle, upon the American people. Tell them that the precedent set by the proposed three-year program is one which the American people will resent.

American Union Against Militarism.

Munsey Building, Washington, D. C.

Here's a Book You Will Want

"The Religion of a Socialist", by Mary B. Kalen, will make a Socialist of that religious fanatic if you can get him to read this valuable 32-page pamphlet, just completed by the Appeal Job Printing Department. Every page is just crowded with eloquent but pointed facts into unquestionable texts. This book has the right tone. I am sure you can get most unbelievable non-Socialists. You can get one copy sent prepaid for 10 cents; 6 copies for 25 cents; 100 copies sent for $3.50 F. O. B. Send your orders to Mary B. Kalen, 115 Hampton ave. N. Y., Pittsburg.

IF YOU ARE POOR YOU GET IT IN THE NECK.

New York, July 25. — New York is having an epidemic of infantile paralysis.

The doctors say they do not know what causes this disease, but Health Commissioner Emerson says this:

"I do not know of a single case in a home of a well-to-do family."

And that seems to give some idea of how we come to have infantile paralysis.

Whether the fact that the stricken children are the children of poor people has anything to do with the manner of handling the cases is not known. That can only be surmised.

But one Polish woman tells this story:

Her child was sick. She didn't know whether it had infantile paralysis or not. She thought it had rheumatism, because it had suffered a great deal from that.

She didn't object to having the little one taken to a hospital for isolation and treatment.

The ambulance came and she brought her little one out.

This woman was proud of the fact that her child was kept clean. She liked cleanliness, though forced to live in a section that wasn't clean by any means.

They put her child in the ambulance and she looked in for a farewell glance. Then she saw four other children in the ambulance. They were infantile paralysis suffers. And they were dirty.

The woman became enraged. "You put my clean child in with those dirty children! You don't know what is the matter with mine, but you know those are paralyzed."

And she proceeded to take her child out by force. The ambulance men called a policeman and the policeman put a revolver in front of the frantic mother while the ambulance drove off with her little one.

Nor is that all. When there were fifty cases in the city the health officials said the situation was dangerous.

Then, when the papers took the matter up and printed front page stories, big real interests came around and said that those front page stories must stop — they would hurt business.

Straightaway the officials, led by the mayor, began to talk about there being nothing to worry about the epidemic being nothing to be afraid of, that measles be much worse, and so on.

This epidemic of infantile paralysis in New York City has shown that the poor get it in the neck every time they come into conflict with business interests, and every time that they go up against a city administration controlled by business.

The New York health commissioner is an able man and a liberal-minded official. He is all to the good, by himself. But he is a cog in a big machine and the machine has allowed him down in this case, which is what always happened to a good man in a bum machine.

And while big business rules the roost, if you are poor you get it in the neck!

'GENE DEBS.

(Written for The Rebel by Arch Lingan.)

Do you know the old Warrior Comrade?
So staunch! So true So bold!
With heart and soul of truest gold;
Of cleanest, purest gold;

His whole long life 's been tempest-tossed,
But his flag has ne'er been furled.
Nor once in all his weary days
Has his nature ever churled.

He's ever, always, the same old 'Gene,
With trust in every man.
And never request is made of him
But he answers—quick—"I can."

Oh! Such a heart! And, such a soul!
Long may "our 'Gene" remain
To cheer us on the Commonwealth
Where there'll be no needless pain.

Let's drink to the Warrior-Comrade,
A MAN—and ever brave!
To march with him is life indeed,
Tho' our flag; with our blood we save.

THE PEACEMAKERS.

Wherever in the maelstrom of madness and murder that has Europe in its grip, a voice is raised in behalf of peace, you will find that voice to be long to a Socialist. Thousands of French, German, Russian, Italian and American Socialists have been imprisoned, shot and hung because with a consecrated courage that would put to shame the Knights of Peace himself, they have denounced war and held high the banner of universal brotherhood and international solidarity of the working class. The preachers and priests and others who denounce Socialists as being irreligious have in the meantime been glaring over the slaughter, not a word of condemnation having been heard from that class in the warring countries.

Among the great figures that stand out in the calm serenity of a class conscious Socialist in this war madness, is Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the parliamentary leader who has been given a long prison sentence by the German military clique because of his strong stand in behalf of world peace.

At a state convention of the Socialist party of New York, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That we hail our comrade, Karl Liebknecht, as a worthy champion of the great cause he upholds; that we congratulate him warmly on his valiant struggle for peace and internationalism, and call on the working class of the World to rally around the banner of international Socialism held aloft by Karl Liebknecht."

Yes, the working class will have to rally around the banner held aloft by such men as Karl Liebknecht, not only to save the last vestige of civilization from being destroyed but to save the human race from utter destruction.

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Another time, over in Louisiana, this conversation was overheard: "How is my pondweed coming out," asked the Boss of the pond foreman. "Fine," was the reply; "it's 'already 90,000 feet ahead of the weeds and 10 days to run on the month." Out of this same pond a log, sealed to the Woodsman at 600 feet, yielded 1290 feet of lumber. The Lumberjack who told this tale said, "If that log had stayed in the pond two weeks longer it would have swelled so big she would have busted the pond." It looks like, if, the Lumberjacks are NEVER satisfied, and stealing on the scale is a "legitimate" part of the Lumber Business.

CITES ABUSE OF PRIVILEGE BY ALL SIDES.

Washington, D.C., July 18.— A scathing attack on "leave to print privilege", as abused by congressmen and senators is contained in the current issue of The Searchlight on Congress, the monthly organ of the National Voters' league.

"The public supposes," the league says, "at least the politicians expect the public to suppose, that a speech in congress bears a legitimate and influential relation to legislation. Quite the contrary is true. Speeches rarely shape legislation."

Relates Some Abuses.

The article then relates abuses of the privilege during June. It states that on June 19, the house without a roll call and without debate passed a new "widows' pension act." Ashbrook, Ohio, author of the measure, then made a request for leave to print for all members. Among those who took advantage were Foster, Illinois, Barnhart, Cullop, Dixon, Gray and Wood, Indiana; Greene and Kamer, Iowa; James, Michigan and Cary, Wisconsin.

"It is perfectly clear those undelivered speeches have no influence on legislation," the article says. "Therefore, their only purpose must be political and for home consumption."

The article then recites how the Democratic and Republican leaders inserted principal speeches delivered at the national conventions and the Republican and Democratic platforms, as well as the Hughes telegram of acceptance. Also, it recalls that all President Wilson's speeches have been inserted, frequently the same speech being put in by senators and congressmen.

"Obviously," the league concludes, "the leave to print privilege should be abolished, but if it is to continue it would be a good idea to save the expense of printing the same thing.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LABOR.

New York, July 14, 1916.

To Our Members:—

At last!

After three and one-half years' delay our Kern-McGillicuddy workmen's compensation bill for injured federal employees was passed by the House of Representatives at Washington on July 12th, by the practically unanimous vote of 288 to 2.

The only Republican vote in opposition was that of "Uncle Joe" Cannon of Illinois, Page of North Carolina, and Dies of Texas; were the two Democrats voting "No", Webb of North Carolina, the Judiciary Committee Chairman answered "Present."

The bill is now before the Senate with victory in sight. But adjournment is probable within six weeks and you will recall how easily one Senator by objecting *by passage without amendment of* can defeat important legislation *the Kern-McGillicuddy workmen's compensation bill.*

In one big final effort, please write strong letters IMMEDIATELY to both of your senators at Washington urging them *to vote and to works actively for the carsession.*

Faithfully yours,

John B. Andrews, Sec.

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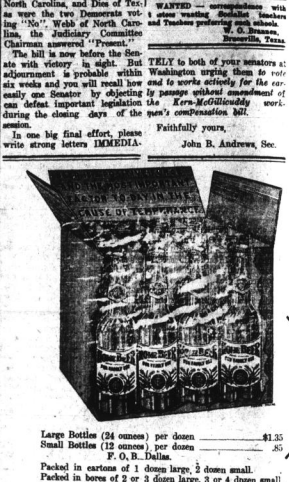

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The "Beast" and his "Image."

(By J. R. Haden, Yoakum, Tex.)

And I beheld another beast (capitalism) coming up out of the earth (human society); and he had two horns (gold and silver) like a lamb (apparently both useful and innocent), and he spake (in potency) like a dragon (with fangs and claws). AND HE EXERCISETH ALL THE POWER of the first beast (civil government of christendom) before him and causeth that the earth dwell in the earth to worship (adore—pay homage to) the first beast (in the form of "patriotism"). And he (capitalism — the money power) doeth great wonders, so that he (capitalism) maketh fire (war) come down from heaven (civil power), in the sight of men, AND DECEIVETH THEM that dwell on the earth by means of those miracles (war-measures, etc.) which he (capitalism) had power to do in the sight (collusion with) the beast (political power); saying to them that dwell on the earth (the great common people), THAT THEY SHOULD MAKE AN IMAGE (flag — "Old Glory") TO THE BEAST (civil power) ... And he (capitalism) HAD POWER TO GIVE LIFE (force) unto the IMAGE (flag) of the beast (political power), so that the IMAGE of the beast should both speak (in "patriotic" language) and cause that AS MANY AS WOULD NOT WORSHIP THE IMAGE of the beast should be KILLED (condemned, persecuted, and even convicted for treason) ... And that no man might buy or sell (engage in commercial pursuits) without the mark (approval, or the name (license) of the beast (capitalist-controlled civil power) — Rev. 13:11-17.

There is no other logical, or even RATIONAL, interpretation that may be applied to the above passages from the book of Revelation. In view of what we see transpiring daily in the world at the present time, no sincere bible student can possibly doubt that these prophecies are RIGHT NOW in process of fulfillment. Take the case of the Rev. Bouck White, of New York City, who is now serving a term in state prison for the offense of refusing to worship the IMAGE OF THE BEAST — the Flag, representing the power of capitalism. This monstrous "crime" was committed recently in Rev. White's church in New York by the display of the flag of INTERNATIONALISM, or the BROTHERHOOD OF MAN — that is to say, THE FLAG OF THE KINGDOM soon to be SET UP IN THE WORLD — that is, JUST AS SOON AS CAPITALISM SHALL HAVE ANNIHILATED THEMSELVES in "fire" now raging, by its blind, insane and suicidal policy, promoted by GREED and FEAR — "capitalizing" "preparedness", stirring up the blood-lust, the wild beast, in human nature, and for bloody gain constantly feeding the fire of the flames that are consuming the world.

As another instance of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES, I also quote the following from a daily paper which prints it with conspicuous approval and credits the item to the Ft. Worth Gazette, under the heading, "Patriotism Is Rampant", we read:

"A girl in a Massachusetts mill REFUSED TO SALUTE THE FLAG (that is, refused to worship the IMAGE of the BEAST — capitalism). She LOST HER JOB, and WAS EXPELLED FROM MEMBERSHIP in her labor organization. — A socialist at Iola, Kans., is said to have referred sneeringly to American FLAG. His hearers mobbed him. Finally it was decided to furnish him POLICE PROTECTION after he had duffed his hat to the FLAG and declared his LOVE FOR IT. (That is to say, APPEARED to duff his hat to the BEAST and declare his LOVE FOR THE BEAST — capitalism's political power — and asserted his "worship", or love of it). There is a wave of PREPAREDNESS PATRIOTISM sweeping over the north and east and those who do not LOVE THE FLAG and WILL NOT TO CULTIVATE A WOLFISH HOMELESS FOR IT, IF NOT, they will be JOBLESS OR UNFORTUNATES IN NEED OF POLICE PROTECTION!" (Emphasis mine).

In the name of God, (!) are we returning to the unspeakable horrors of the Dark Ages and the Inquisition? Answer, YES!!! As fast as the united power of capitalism and ecclesiasticism can carry us! Liberty and "civilization" are menaced as never before since the days of Luther and Huss! But in the attempt to DESTROY LIBERTY capitalism shall bring on the great world CONVULSION that is destined to DESTROY CAPITALISM ITSELF, with EVERY POLITICAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL POWER ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH that SUPPORTS the capitalist system. From this great social EARTHQUAKE, "such as was not since there was men upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great" (Rev. 16:18) shall be born the FIRST REAL CIVILIZATION and the ONLY genuine LIBERTY that the world has ever known. JUSTICE and EQUITY will RULE the affairs of MEN ON EARTH for the FIRST TIME in all history!

Without the aid of bible prophecies to guide us, there are plenty signs now in evidence to justify these conclusions in the mind of anyone capable of reasoning from CAUSE to EFFECT. The movement of the natural allies of greed, exploitation and privilege toward a closer union for mutual protection is evident to every person endowed with a thinking ray of brains. The beneficiaries of the present unholy system of predatory greed called "capitalism", are bent on destroying the world's intellectual and civilization rather than yield to the demands of justice, right-eousness and liberty, and forego their present luxurious software of living without labor by that form of legalized robbery named "interest", "rent", "profit", "dividents" etc. The whole world has been DECEIVED by the "sacredness" of capitalism (See Rev. 13:3-8). For so long been CUSTOMARY to steal, or appropriate, or exploit the labor of others by the means defined by these polite and legal terms, interest, rent etc., and will not only the tolerance but the open sanction of the CHURCH, that the vast majority of the people have come to regard such ROBBERY, RIGHT, because it is "LEGITIMATE". Yet all know, who really know anything, that the people who PASSED THE LAWS making these common forms of theft "legitimate", were the robbers themselves and their HIRED ACCOMPLICES in the state and nation, who made the laws.

That the ecclesiastical power of the church shall be allied with the financial power of capitalism and the political power of kings and rulers is a final supreme effort to stem the constantly swelling tide of socialism in its demands for JUSTICE, EQUITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS, is now clearly foretold in Rev. 20:19-20, which reads in part, as follows:

"And I saw the beast (money power), and the kings (rulers) of the earth, and their armies, GATHERED TOGETHER TO MAKE WAR ... and the beast WAS TAKEN (caught in repudiated war bonds and revolution), and with him THE FALSE PROPHET (ecclesiastical power) ... These BOTH were cast alive (in a flourishing or prosperous condition) into A LAKE OF FIRE BURNING WITH BRIMSTONE (war, anarchy, chaos)".

As the days go by, receiving its inspiration and financial backing from Wall street, we may expect to see the insanity of this "preparedness" propaganda becoming constantly more frenzied in its methods, until its madness shall demand the instant suppression of all publicity agencies out of harmony with it, and the summary imprisonment for TREASON of every person who publicly dares to criticise this blood-lusting mania. We may expect to see all the non-conformist church and its auxiliaries, such as the Y. M. C. A. etc., joining heartily (as organizations) in this campaign of hatred and his IMAGE (the "colors"). With capitalism entrenched as it is today in all of our legislative halls the fag NO LONGER REPRESENTS THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE as it once did, but now, debauched by ORGANIZED GREED, IS USED ONLY AS A DECOY TO LURE THE UNINFORMED AND UNSUSPECTING MASSES TO THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION. However, this BLIND SAMSON — capitalism — in its mad campaign for militarism is surely prepared TO PULL THE TEMPLE OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT DOWN UPON ITS OWN HEAD!

A MESSAGE TO TEACHERS.

(A leaflet given at at the National Educational Convention, Madison Square, N. Y.)

June 5, 1916.

Teachers, guardians of the young, you possess a tremendous power in society. Wield that power for your own good and the common good.

What You Could Do.

If conditions were right, if you could apply the latest in psychology, civics, sociology, and history-teaching; if you taught small classes of alert, well-fed, well-clothed children, in modern school buildings; if you yourselves were adequately paid and your position made secure to its proper place and sustained by school boards and aldermen and boards of estimate, society would advance with rapid strides.

Why Can You Not?

Today you cannot fulfill your high function in society properly, because school boards, while determine teachers' salaries and administrate school affairs depend upon politicians for appropriations. These politicians, catering to the desire of tax-payers for low taxes, practise economy even in the expense of education; and, chiefly, because lacking knowledge you are powerless to influence the politicians to consider your interests and the interests of the pupils.

How To Use The Vote.

The same class of society that dominates boards of estimate and school boards fears to have the truth taught in the schools. Remember what happened to Scott Nearing when he expounded a sociology that did not please them. Win the freedom to teach the truth—the truth about the past, the present and the future.

The Truth About The Past.

As now taught history is a chronicle of wars, kings, princes, and other criminals. Rightly taught, history will interrupt the past in epochs of peace, making for progress, interrupted time and again by the wars of these selfsame monarchs and military chiefs. History will reveal the upward struggle of the masses and show how it will become of the story of slave, serf, freeman, trader, merchant, present-day wage-earner; in a word, the people.

The Truth About The Present.

The newspapers, which chronicle current events, are the tools of those now in power, subservient to the despots of the past. At the bidding of these moneyed masters, the truth is willfully suppressed and distorted. The Moscows, for instance, are represented as a backward race of bandits, whereas they are a gentle race whose history is final supreme effort to stem the constantly swelling tide of socialism in its demands for JUSTICE, EQUITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS, is now clearly foretold in Rev. 20:19-20, which reads in part, as follows:

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JUSTICE PREVERTED.

(By Franklin Rest.)

Steal a piece of meat or a loaf of bread,
And to the prison you will go for life.
One sin strike for your baby and wife,
And "Uncle Sam's dogs" will feed you hot lead.

Steal a railroad and gobble up the land,
And in Congress you'll go by the band.
Be a Rockefeller or Ludlow or Baldwin,
Or commit a Ludlow on workers you enslave,
And your name among the "great" you will engrave.

Make fight against war, kings and rulers defie,
And for treason you will most surely die.
Go teach your son that murderous war is sin,
The blacklist will prevent you your bread to win.

Millions and billions upon battleships spend,
Loving mother's sons to "hell" by conscription send.
With lies upon your lip and devils in your heart,
Make paupers fight for "your" country and shirt your part.

While you induce your Congress (who be also shirkers),
To give you more wealth than to man this bill.
So when the empire returns you can give them hell.

We mean give them hell industrially speaking.
Yes, do all this, while babies for bread cry,
And the Hep-Dem slaves will come, crawling and creeping,
And send you back to Congress, their arms and hats sweeping.

If you are hungry and cold and your clothes thin,
Do dare not demand a job that you may live,
But must beg and whine as the you weren't men.
For owners of machines and land will not give

Jobs to those who stand up like men and demand
Their rights to live in peace and plenty on Earth —
The Earth God gave to ALL mankind to command;
Not a few landlords and pirates who're not worth.

Any more to society than a wart to a mule,
Or a flea to a dog, or a tick to a cow.
For of a truth they too, are parasites who fool
The workers at the machine and at the plow.

Years ago your by promises sweet that they shall eat,
All the wealth of they will vote them into power.
When in power they add burdens in a shower
To the sons whom they trample under their feet.

Friend there are thousands and thousands and millions of us.
Who say that Marx's Socialism will the workers free.
Then why, oh why, friend, won't you see why it and thee
Help your toiling brothers why are trying to help thee?

Why won't you open your eyes and see the chains
That bind you and me to poverty and shivering toil?
Why won't you see that co-operation all ills and pains,
All wars and hunger will in death embroil?

Stephens County Socialist Encampment

Dates are August 7, 8, 9, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at Cotton Plant with Ben. F. Wilson, E. R. Meitzen and Wm. D. Simpson speakers.

— B. H. Lauderdale.

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seeking to assert its rights.

One Step Farther—Socialism. — On one step farther, Obtain the vote and through the vote insist upon the democratic control of the means of life. Throw your forces in with those who are fighting against child labor, ignorance disease, militarism, war—all the ills of modern society.

You, the guardians of the young, possess a tremendous power. Wield that power for your own and the common good.

SOCIALIST SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE.

FISH VS. FLESH.

(*By Wilford B. Smith in The Pickforks.*)

J. D. Pantaze is a Dallas restaurantee. He makes his living peddling planked steaks, sea foods in season, and such. In lieu of the immemorial, intellectualistic cracker he serves Brown's Saltine Flakes and for ham and bacon he uses Plover hams and bacon exclusively. All of which proves that Jim Pantaze is a good citizen and a patriotic Dallasite.

Jim Pantaze possesses other elements of gentility and mental aristocracy that he dotteth not of, yclelleet, Jim Pantaze is a Single Tax agitator without knowing it. For the proof, read on.

A few days ago I dropped into Pantaze's cafe with a friend for the purpose of wrapping myself around one of his celebrated vegetarian dinners. Jim came down from the vicinity of the cash register, seated himself beside us, as he is want to do, and proceeded to unravel his opinion about the increasing cost of life's necessities. Says Jim: "You know, Pitchfork, if things go on as they are I'll have to get out of the restaurant business. My bill of fare has advanced in price in the last two or three years from 50 per cent to 500 per cent."

My friend and I commiserated with Jim and I thought I would cheer him up a little by telling him that I was paying twice as much for paper as I paid one year ago. This bit of information didn't seem to produce the desired hilarity on Pantaze's part. He continued: "Take fresh meat, for example. I don't make a cent on any steak I serve. Not a cent."

"You say everything has gone up in a similar manner," I inquired.

"Everything but one line of eatables," Pantaze replied.

I was curious to know what the exception to the general rule of advancing cost could be. My friend and I were asked to GUESS. We gave it up, after one or two guesses, and then we were told that the single, solitary exception was SEA FOODS. Get that! Elmer. *SEA FOODS!*

When he put that piece of Single Tax propoganda to us, I dropped my napkin and turned over my water glass. I was beside myself with glee for having one more Single Tax argument in my fervent arsenal.

Knowing that I am headquarters for information, Pantaze turned to me and asked for a reason. He wanted to know why it was that while everything else on his bill of fare was booming skyward, fish, oysters, crabs, lobster, etc., were sold to him at about the same price year after year. Having read Henry George's "Progress and Poverty" through three times, and having been a Single Tax student in person under James C. Wilson of Kansas City, I was amply qualified to answer the query. My answer was this:

The price of everything that comes out of the soil is just as high as those who monopolize the earth can boost it. The high price of meat is due to the land-lord and his relatoj inquilines. We would have the same high prices in sea foods but nobody has yet staked off and monopolized the high seas. Fish, like land lobsters but we don't have sea lords. The difference in the cost between fish and flesh, is nothing more than the difference of man's freedom to land and sea.

"The ocean, bold!
Centuries old!
Strong as Time!
And as uncontrolled!"

May the substance of this poetic apostrophe prevail forever. Thank God there are no ocean lords. There is a subtle, unchained majesty about the sea that has for defied the shackles of commercial greed.

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Levy taxes on land-value ONLY and the ugly ulcer of modern plutocracy will heal up in a twinkling. Single tax is the medicine.

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The Rebel welcomes to its exchange table a bright and well-edited Socialist weekly, "published every Saturday at Denison, Texas." A brilliant and promising young state university student, J. K. Kaesser, is editor and manager, and Will Gildewell, another solid young Socialist, is assistant. The paper already has a good circulation and will do yeoman service to help capture Grayson county for the party of the working class this fall—which is a good fighting chance for success.

SOUTHERN STATES WOMAN SUFFAGE CONFERENCE.

Better Laws for Women.

Three laws have been signed by Louisiana's governor that will directly affect the women of the state. One statute will enable married women to dispose of their separate property without the consent of her husband, another will permit husband and wife to testify against each other. The third bill proposes the amendment of Article 210 of the constitution so as to enable women to serve on boards of educational and elemosynary institutions.

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Red Ribbon Women.

The insignia of the Legion of Honor is a beautiful red ribbon. The recipient is entitled to the name "chevalier." More than one hundred women have received this red ribbon in recognition of their eminence and labors in all the professions. They have qualified as writers, artists, actresses and scholars in various schools. Upon what flimsy excuse can these superior women be denied the ballot, which is so much less, unnecessarily, and sometimes undeservedly, conferred on men!

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Foreigners Not Natives.

Congress has been asked to appropriate $50,000 for disseminating information regarding the education of foreigners. This seems a large amount in contrast to the meagre sum appropriated for the Children's Bureau. Our public schools are open to foreigners who seek their privileges, and politicians solicitously attend to the necessity of naturalization. Wouldn't it be better for Congress to appropriate $50,000 to disseminate information regarding the education of native-born American women on the proper use of the ballot for the advancement of American homes, and welfare of American citizenship, and so stimulate foreigners to imitate those!

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Munitions and Women.

Perhaps, after all, the British army will owe its prowess to women as well as to men. Six hundred and sixty thousand women are making munitions alone. If these should remain in their homes instead of going to the factories, what would become of the British army! Don't you think that women who help preserve the country deserve the vote!

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President Wilson a Suffragist.

The woman suffrage plank in the Democratic platform was written by President Wilson. Several other endorsements of woman suffrage were suggested, but after long discussion and deliberation, the President said; "I shall support its principles with sincere pleasure. I wish to confer with my fellow Democrats in recommending to the several states that they extend suffrage to women — on the same terms as to men."

This is not a recent stand for the President, for during the last election in New Jersey, he voted for the woman suffrage amendment. Its defeat at that time was due to the personal efforts of some Democratic politicians, who were not only hostile to woman suffrage, but violently antagonistic to Mr. Wilson.

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Five Girls Decorated.

Wonder what our girls will do next? Five of our Boy Scouts, Five Girls of Spring Lake, N. J., heroically prevented a forest fire. So remarkable were their efforts that the Department of Conservation and Development awarded them badges of Merit. Surely these sensible and courageous young citizens will have intellect enough to vote in the near future, and if the State of New Jersey doesn't wake up to the value of its women's opinions, there are states, like California and Illinois, that probably estimate the opinions of young, practical women, where they will have a chance to give your votes as well as your services to the welfare of society. In a few of the irresponsible men in New Jersey could hand their voting privileges out to some of the sagacious women of the state, political bosses would take to the tall and shovel or handle a pick and shovel for a decent living, instead of grafting on the public and debauching government.

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J. H. Almond writes, that there will be an encampment held at Rock Bluff school house in Clarke county on August 11 and 12 with Clarence and other good speakers present.

State Office Notes.

W. T. WEBB, State Secretary, Cleo, Texas.

Encampment Dates.

Mineola, Aug. 1, 2, 3; Leonard, Aug. 2, 3, 4, 5; Silsom, 3, 4, 5; Rochester, 3, 4, 5, Cotton Plant, 7, 8, 9; Crockett, 7, 8, 9, 10; Shelby county, ——; Glen Rose, ——; Pretoritt, 7, 8; Ballinger, ——; Collin county, 9, 10, 11; Winnsboro, 10, 11, 12. Condon Springs, 14, 15, 16; Yoes, 15, 16, 17; Bonham, 16, 17, 18, 19; Bettie, 17, 18; Jayton, 21, 22, 23; Brownville, 21, 22, 23.

Lecture System Appointments.

Wm. D. SIMPSON — Silsom, Aug. 3, 4, 5; Cotton Plant, 7, 8, 9; Brownville, 21, 22, 23.

R. B. MEITZEN — Mineola, Aug. 1; Silsom, 3, 4, 5; Cotton Plant, 7, 8, 9; Yoes, 15, 16, 17; Brownville, 21, 22, 23.

T. A. HICKEY — Mineola, Aug. 2; Silsom, 3, 4, 5; Yoes, 15, 16, 17; Brownville, 21, 22, 23.

LELAND T. BAKER — Rochester, 3, 4, 5. Condon Springs, 14, 15, 16; Jayton, 21, 22, 23.

ARCH LINGAN — Rochester, Aug. 3, 4, 5; Condon Springs, 14, 15, 16; Jayton, 21, 22, 23.

MARY B. KULBS — Rochester, 3, 4, 5; Ft. Worth, ——; Condon Springs, 14, 15, 16; Jayton, 21, 22, 23.

W. J. Bell, Manager.

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The county chairmen of the third congressional district are hereby called to meet at the Mineola encampment, August 2, to formulate plans for an aggressive congressional campaign on foot. Be sure to attend or at least try to have your county represented by a live wire Socialist.— J. B. Lewis, Dist. Sec.

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By some misunderstanding it is being reported that the Lecture System failed to send speakers to Sweetwater encampment. Not guilty. The Lecture System is in the clear. I have on file letter cancelling the order for speakers, saying they were supplied with other speakers. — W. J. Bell.

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W. J. Bell, manager of the Southern Socialist Lecture System, writes; "I have just received a contribution of fifty dollars. Am proceeding to find the state with circular letters asking appointments for speakers. Will see what it will bring."

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Comrade J. H. Merten, Kosciusko, Miss., had his plant burned to the ground and "The Mississippi Socialist" will be issued until a new plant can be built. In order to get this fighting sheet properly on its feet again every real Rebel will send in as large a club as possible at the rate of $1 for four.

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J. A. Wood, secretary 12th congressional district, is renting Leland G. Baker for that district. Anyone desiring Baker should write J. A. Wood, Rt. 2, Glen Rose, Tex., at once.

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Somerwell county will hold a three day encampment at Glen Rose on August 17, 18 and 19 with the best speakers obtainable present. Anyone wishing information of any kind should write W. W. Reece, Glen Rose, Tex.

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T. A. Hickey was at state headquarters on the 20th en route to encampment at O'Brien after a series of fourteen debates with Jno. Davis of Dallas. He says Davis is the finest gentleman he ever met in the democratic ranks. This much is certain. Tom is laughing yet over the outcome of the debates.

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A gigantic encampment is planned for August 7, 8 and 9 to be held one mile west of Crockett in Houston county. This encampment promises to be the greatest event of the kind ever held in east Texas. Among the speakers will be. Kate O'Hare, J. A. Wayland, T. E. Foster and Stanley J. Clark.

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From all reports reaching our office we are reliably informed that the reason that not one hundreth of one per cent of the youths of Texas have joined the national guard is because they are preparing for the enemy within instead of the enemy without.

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Comrade Mrs. E. W. Carlton writes of a very successful encampment just held at Denison and promises "that her local is growing nicely.

To The Socialists of Texas.

Dear Comrades:

Judge C. R. Kinchen, a well known Free-thinker and an attorney-at-law, and myself have entered to enter into a series of joint debates. The question to be debated is: "Resolved, that no one can believe in the principles enunciated in the Socialist platform, and be a Christian."

Judge Kinchen takes the position that the Bible teaches human slavery, and, as the Socialist party is against human slavery, the two cannot be made to harmonize.

Kinchen will open each debate with forty-five minutes. I will follow him with an hour, and he closes with a fifteen minutes rejoinder.

I have had five years experience as a Socialist speaker, and feel sure that I will be able to handle our side of the question in an instructive and satisfactory manner.

It is my opinion that these debates will help the cause of Socialism more than anything we can do. As you probably well understand that there are hundreds of people that will come to hear a debate, who will not go to a straight out Socialist speaking.

Our terms will be $20.00 for each debate, and hotel expenses for both speakers. We pay our own railroad fare.

Write me at once, if you want one of these debates in your community. The date will have to be set by us, to suit the route taken, and not to make the location of the debates too far apart.

Yours for Socialism,

William J. Loe,

1613 Main St., Fort Worth, Tex.

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Sweetwater, Tex., July 24, 1916.

Local No. 1495 was organized here July 19th, with fourteen members. The following ticket was put out the following week:

Representative — Jas. Robinson.

Co. Judge — Chas. W. Watson, M. D.

Co. Attorney — G. E. Metts.

Sheriff — M. L. Bennett.

Tax Collector — C. G. Neal.

Tax Assessor — J. G. Holder.

Co. Clerk — J. W. Perry.

Co. Treasurer — J. H. Holland.

Co. Supt. — W. D. Hobbs.

Cotton Weigher — N. F. Ledbetter.

Commissioner No. 1 — W. S. Cundiff.

Constable No. 1 — J. C. Nelson.

Justice of Peace — E. M. Sayle.

(Signed) J. C. Hall.

We hold our first meeting Friday night 21st. Dr. Watson was elected chairman pro tem in capacity he will serve until after the election.

We had an interesting discussion on the subject: "Resolved that Socialism is the Only Remedy for the Evils Now Existing in Society." Eight new names were added to our list of nineteen, making a total of twenty-seven members in good standing.

We intend to set ourselves toward making this a live local and any suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

Yours for victory,

R. E. Nelson, Sec.

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From reports coming from western points where Hickey-Davis debates were held there is a unanimity of opinion that the old style mud-slinging style of debate must stop. After each of the debates were over democrats and socialists alike, lined up and congratulated the speakers on the fact that the gentlemen dealt with principles and not personalities. It is only a pollaric preacher who has mistaken a dose of laziness for a call to preach or a worn eaten politician that indulges in the old time billings-gate.

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Fred Batchler announces that Kate O'Hare will speak at Sycamore on August 1, instead of the 2nd, as previously announced.

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Fourteenth District.

To the Locals and members-at-large of the 14th District:

Having been elected your secretary, am anxious to get in touch with everyone of you, and I take this method of addressing you. This district is composed of the following counties: Brown, Callahan, Eastland, McCulloch, San Saba, Lampasas, McLennan, Mason, Llano, Gillespie, Blanco, Kerr, Kendall, Bandera, Comal and Hamilton.

Now comrades if you have a local in either of these counties please report direct to me not later than the 10th of each month, also if you can use a speaker, please write me. There are perhaps some of the comrades that haven't any local in them, let's get busy and organized one, for without organization we can do nothing. Let us keep the good work going on and not fall short of our duty, for all signs show that the present system is weakening and the Socialist Ideal is almost within sight. So let's get together and co-operate with each other to the end that we may have one of the best organized districts in the State.

J. T. Johnson,

Sec. 14th Cong. Dist.

SOCIALISM WILL DESTROY THE HOME.

(By Will Gildewell.)

The charge in the above title remained with me all day of last ago, when good old Micha was tried for high treason by the young Prince of Jerusalem. Micha stood up in front of that great court and said, "Why shall we unite and fight against a foreign foe, when the dirty work we committed by him in time of war are committed by you in time of peace?" Then the old Prince commanded to defy his ruler, "The women of my people ye tear from their homes . From these young children, ye take away my glory forever."

You, who are so anxious to rally to arms and cry out protection of your homes, dignity, peace and happiness against a foreign foe, I ask you, if it is not now as it was in the days of the American conflict against breaking down the capitalist corruption of nations! I cry as Micha of old, "What has become of our homes? Where are they? Where are the homes of the steel workers of Pittsburgh? Where are the homes of the stock yard workers in Chicago? Where are the homes of the Texas farmers and laborers, that are destitute of food, clothing, and are exposed to the inclemencies of the weather?

They have been destroyed by the Rockefellers, Morgans, Astors, Gays, Carnegies, Fricks and all their abominable gang. Yet they about to us to prepare, to become patriotic, to protect our homes. Who shall protect our homes against them? I say to them, as did Micha, "Begone, for this is no resting place, because of the uncleanness that you introduce, intemperance, destruction unavailable."

I say to you workingmen, protect yourselves against the internal enemies first. It is they who destroy your homes. Workingmen, wake up. It is only your fear of your lord (boss) that keeps you down in subjugation. Defy your oppressor, feed your children, take care of your wife. You are not self-respecting unless you do

There have never been a woman official in Kansas who defaulted or embezzled any funds, or who was short in public accounts. Yet there are hundreds of officials now locked up for defalcations. When a woman official turns over her books at the end of the year, and paid what she said was due to the county or city, there has never been a public scandal, and she was able to find the books one penny but of line. There is hardly a term of the supreme court when there isn't some law suit with county or city officials over funds in some public office. And there have been hundreds of instances where hired accountants to "get something" on women officials. Every attempt of this kind was to get the job for a man, and every attempt failed.

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T. M. Engelke, a California Reb, renews and orders extra shaded.

John Wales sends a club from Gene Debs' home town and orders extra shells to fire in the great meeting they are staging in that district.

Oquea Inghile, a Michigan land reformer, sends in which after sending a club of twenty, enough to see the downfall of the Bosh.

Mrs. B. W. Mitchell, one of the most active ladies who are fighting for freedom's cause, fires five shots at the dieing Donk again this week.

J. M. Sauerman sends in a large Donk scalp and orders ammunition with which to take seven more, which he has an eye on.

A. B. Meekey sends six fresh scalps that he had just taken while resting.

J. Smith orders a bundle of 20 until after election and says that he expects to make the Donks sit up and take notice.

W. M. Smith sends for another lot of Rebel ammunition to shell the enemy in his new quarters with.

The following Rebels either join the preparedness brigade and enlist for three years on have four of their friends to enlist for forty weeks each: W H Crawford, H P Barrow, Thos P Craig, J W Wilmoth, D G Parsons, J B Capps, W M Hope, T J Marshall, G L Hise, C A Teal, S Ballard, J W Purser, C P Taylor, J W Carney, A D Satterwhite, L S Huff, H P Anderson.

"WE'RE GOING TO MEXICO!" they screeched to every one who inquired why they were so bedecked with flags. That's all they seemed to know about it, the they all seemed to be under the impression the Mexicans would do all the dying. There were a bunch of raw young recruits in charge of an old bellwether. Few of them had on them the marks of workingmen, or working farmers. The big majority were of the clerk class, or "dickeyfitters," as Frank Walsh so well named them. And everywhere we been it is this class that is filling up the ranks of the militia. The big working class will soon be forced to prepare to deal with them, for they are not to be used solely to re-enslave Mexico. This is sticking out on all sides. Else why should Big Business so eagerly be announcing in its interest to "Pay the salaries of their employes who enlist?" Did you ever see a Plutocrat put out money that he did not expect to get back with usury?

QUARTERLY REPORT, SOCIALIST PARTY OF TEXAS.

Cleo, Texas, July 1st 1916.

APRIL.

National Office for dues ...	$110.00
National Office for supplies ...	16.00
Postage, rent telegraph, telephone and printing ...	22.30
State secretary salary ...	75.00
Total expense ...	$223.67
Receipts for dues & literature	272.75
Balance ...	$ 39.08

MAY.

National Office for dues ...	$110.00
National Office for supplies ...	3.00
Postage, rent telegraph, telephone and printing ...	36.85
State secretary salary ...	75.00
Total expense ...	$224.50
Receipts for dues & literature	236.25
Balance ...	$ 11.85

JUNE.

National Office for dues ...	$95.00
National Office for supplies ...	5.00
Postage, rent telegraph, telephone and printing ...	30.30
State secretary salary ...	75.00
Total expense July 1st ...	$ 17.75
Unpaid printing and stationery bill first half year ...	$ 77.45
Old deficit Jan. 1st, 1916 ...	484.22
Total expense ...	$486.20
Receipts for dues & literature	316.25
Total deficit to date ...	$561.65

Fraternally submitted,

W. T. Webb, State Sec.

Cleo, Tex.

COMRADES:

This is a very embarrassing report. Our state office is broke, and we must do some thing to liquidate this deficit. Is it unreasonable for the three thousand dues paying members to raise this amount of money? Any suggestion as to how we will proceed to wipe out this deficit will be appreciated.

W. T. Webb.

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Duke of Jefferson	1.00	4.00	6.00
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Pennsylvania Bourbon	1.00	2.50	4.00
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Corn Whiskey	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Pioneer Rye Whiskey	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Pioneer Bourbon	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Pioneer Rye and Bourbon	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Peanut Apple and Peach Brandy	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Peanut Apple and Peach Brandy	2.00	5.00	7.50
Old Peanut Rye and Rye and Peach Brandy	1.00	2.50	4.00
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Old Fire	2.00	5.00	7.50
Old Fire Cherry Cordial	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Fire Rye	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Fire Bourbon	1.00	2.50	4.00
Old Fire Rye and Bourbon	1.00	2.50	4.00
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