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A Visit to Oklahoma.

The editor of this great religious weekly last week gave up his statewide campaign for the United States senatorship of Texas long enough to drop into our sister state, Oklahoma, and shake hands with the men and women who are laying the foundation for the Socialist republic in Oklahoma.

The movement is a revelation to those from the north, east and west that come in contact with it. With the sole exception of Texas, after whose form of party organization the Oklahomans have patterened it is with out a probable shadow of a doubt the most democratic movement of the world. Autocrative committees and newspapers have been thrown on the ashpile and the movement is absolutely in the hands of the rank and file, which is almost exclusively proletarian. Everything is run from the bottom up. The local is the basis of organization, not only in theory but in living fact.

One hundred and fifty encampments and picnics will be held during this season, fifty-five of which will be held in the congressional district in which Comrade Stallard is running against a notorious Democratic reactionary named McClintick, who had 7000 majority four years ago over the Socialists, two years ago it was cut to 2600 and this year it is expected this small lead will be lopped off and Stallard will go to congress.

Comrade McLemore who represents Beckham county in the legislature informed me that there would be not less than forty Socialist representatives in the next legislature. In this connection it must be remembered that we elected five representatives two years ago, and then lost twenty representative districts by less than 100 votes. Since that time the membership and local organizations have more than doubled, while the Democratic party has slumped in prestige and character among their oldest adherents. This is largely because of the fact that little Bob Williams, who carries in his person the trinity of evil — usurer, shyster and landlord— has steered the ship of state entirely in the interest of the Oklahoma Wall street plutocracy. He is an exact prototype of the Texas governor, Eighty Percent Jim.

The Texas land fight has spread into Oklahoma and just like in Texas it has become the dominant issue. The Oklahoma land plank demands that all land held for speculative purposes should be taxed to its full rental value. Around this plank the farmers are rallying and the doom of the Donk is in sight.

There are no "leaders" in Oklahoma in the old party sense. There are strong men of towering ability that amounts almost to genius, such as H. M. Sinclair, who works 18 hours a day for $75 a month and displays an executive ability that would gain him a thousand dollars month in any great corporation's office. Then there are great lawyers in the best sense of the word, like E. S. Hurst of Madill and Pat Nagle of Kingfisher, men who are smitted by all sides to be the leaders of the bar in Oklahoma. Then here comes a marching army of renters like McElmore of Elk City, who went into the legislature with the mud of the farm on his shoes, and to the dismay of the Democratic politicians outmaneuvred them in every crooked play they made. Then there is Stallard who runs 55 encampments while running for congress. He is another farmer, and is a holy terror to every apostate preacher, and shyster lawyer whose hide he peels on the platform. And then there is—but what's the use. It would take the whole of this issue of The Rebel to describe the men who are fighting the battles of genuine democracy in this young state. And then, greater and better than all, are the thousands of strong, clean women that are standing behind the men with as much earnestness and courage as the men and women who fought behind the barricades in 1789. It is an inspiration to gaze in their clear, honest eyes and sweet, pure faces as they, with pamphlet, paper and book, go among their neighbors, preaching the gospel of Socialism.

Yes, I'm glad I went to Oklahoma and came back to Texas freshened for the fray until landlords and usurers and plutocrats are scourged from the temple of democracy.

RURAL CREDIT LAW AND MORTGAGE RATES.

Theodore H. Price is the publisher of Commerce and Finance. His paper says that the United States Mortgage & Trust company of New York has canvassed its mortgage agents and the banks throughout the North and West to ascertain crop conditions and prospects and the business outlook generally. One of the most interesting questions investigated was the anticipated effect of the rural credits act upon farming and mortgage rates. The replies indicate that in most sections where the law is understood the effect will be to reduce rates, encourage farming and raise land values.

That there should be some dissent from this opinion is natural, says Mr. Price, especially in the Northwest where the supply of farm mortgage money has been abundant, but the consensus of opinion confirms our optimism as to the real as well as the sentimental value of a measure that we believe second in importance only to the federal reserve bill. One effect of the rural credit bill that should not be overlooked by those who deal in bonds is that it will in time produce a large amount of bonds that will be just as secure as the best underlaying railroad bonds and that the rates on the latter class of securities will hereafter tend to rule higher than in the past.

THE PROBLEM TODAY.

"Sixty years ago the problem was to let production equal consumption. Now, the workers of the nation produce from ten to ten thousand times more than their grandfathers did, yet their forefathers lived far better than they. It has come to such a pass that if five dollar bills grew from every cotton boll in Wichita county today, the common people would be worse off than they were the year before. The more wealth we create, the poorer we are; the more food, clothing and comforts the masses produce the more hungry, homeless and ragged they become. The problem is not one of production, but of distribution. Eighty million workers receive but 16 1-2 cents of each dollar they create, while purely parasitic classes receive the other 83 1-2 cents.

"The remedy is, for all the people to have free and equal access to land and machinery and receive the full social value of these two. Let no man have more land than he can use and occupy. Let the people own the banking and currency system, the markets, mills, mines, railways and all other means of life now owned by the trusts. We want public ownership of the trusts in place of the trust ownership of the people." — Extract from a speech by E. R. Meitzen.

Remarkable Conclusions of Famous Army Surgeon.

That remarkable personality, Surgeon-General W. C. Gorgas, of the United States, to whose genius in promoting the sanitation of the Panama Canal zone, the construction of the Canal is due, writes an article in June *Construction Review*, in which he draws some unexpected lessons from his experiences while engaged on that great task.

In Panama, as Professor Gregory says in his wonderful book, "Discovery," Surgeon-General Gorgas had to wage a "vigorous fight against the death-dealing mosquito..... By the destruction of a little grey gnat a great engineering enterprise was made possible of realisation."

The making of the Canal brought an extra population of some 100,000 to Panama—hence much insanitary overcrowding and ill-health and poverty. His experiences there have led Surgeon Gorgas to these conclusions:

MAKE MORALITY POSSIBLE

"As I have examined into conditions in other parts of the world, I have become convinced that Panama is no peculiar exception. All other cities of civilized countries, I can see, are affected in much the same way, from the same causes, and are open to the same remedies. We can teach morals and hygiene indefinitely, but we shall not be able to make any great advance until we can place our fellow-men in such position that they can adopt our teachings.

"It is evident to my mind that the great and insuperable clog to the advance of the Church in its teachings, and to the advance of the sanitarian in his teachings, is the grinding poverty of the larger portion of our fellow-countrymen. The only feasible way that I can see for in any way alleviating this poverty is by increasing wages.

"Now wages are affected on the one hand by the number of persons competing for employment, and on the other hand, by the number of jobs we have for these persons. If the number of jobs is greater than the number of persons competing, wages will be high and will tend steadily to increase, until finally each man gets all he produces. Beyond this point wages cannot increase. If the number of persons seeking employment is greater than the number of jobs, wages will decrease, and continue to decrease to a point below which the laborer can not go and maintain life.

"That condition of wages in which he gets all he produces is known as natural wages, and the object of all social organization should be to give to all producers natural wages. All of us would automatically get natural wages unless some form of monopoly came to deprive us of part of what we produced, without making us a just return.

"I will not consider the question of decreasing the number of people applying for employment. No churchman or broad sanitarian would consider for a moment such measures, though they could be very easily brought about. Any sanitarian could spread such an epidemic of yellow fever in the United States that a million people could easily be killed off in the course of a year. Such a sanitary measure would greatly improve the condition of those who were left. Wages for several years would be higher, and living conditions, therefore, among the poorest, very much better.

EUROPE'S EXPERIMENT.

"Europe is now trying this measure on a very large scale. When this war is over there will be many millions fewer persons in Europe competing for jobs than there were when it commenced, and there will be very many million dollars of wealth destroyed which will have to be replaced.

"This will mean that in Europe, for several years to come, the jobs will be seeking the men, rather than the men the jobs. Wages will steadily increase, and the poverty of the poorest classes be much alleviated. Prosperity, I dare predict, will be very general.

MORE JOBS THAN MEN.

"Now let us turn to the other side, and see what we can do in the way of making the number of jobs more numerous than the number of applicants for these jobs.

"The present condition of having more men than we have jobs is modern and comparatively recent. Until comparatively recent times jobs were always so numerous that the only way in which one man could get what another man produced without giving him a fair return was to own him as a chattel slave. Until within the last few hundred years everywhere in civilized countries natural opportunities were so abundant and free that no man would work for another, but used some free natural opportunity where he could get all he produced.

"Chattel slavery has been abolished all over the world because it was perfectly obvious that the master was with holding from the slave a large part of the wealth the slave was producing, without making him any return. And to modern man this seemed unjust though we must bear in mind that this to us perfectly obvious injustice did not appear unfair to our ancestors for the first six or seven thousand years of human history. It seemed perfectly natural and proper to them that the strong should take from the weak, and they did not hesitate to carry these views into practice on a most extensive scale.

TODAY'S SLAVERY.

"The industrial slavery of modern times is not near as obvious to us as chattel slavery was to our ancestors of a couple of generations ago, while to the laborer, the results of the present industrial slavery are much more harsh and cruel and morally degrading than was chattel slavery at any period of its existence. The master does not come in personal contact with the industrial slave, and therefore does not appreciate the suffering and moral degradation that is brought about by the system.

"But education will surely change these conditions. A time is rapidly coming when we will appreciate the wrong and harshness of our present industrial slavery. It took our ancestors six thousand years to educate themselves up to the point of recognizing that chattel slavery was unjust. I believe that by the time the generation of which I am a member shall have finished its work, the present industrial slavery will be looked upon as quite as unjust as we now look upon chattel slavery.

"I appeal to you from the point of view of Christians to take part in all measures that tend toward increase of wages with the object of putting our fellow-man in such position that he will be able to adopt the teachings and morals of Christianity.

"I urge upon you the consideration of the question as to whether or not the greatest and most efficient of all these measures is not such taxation of land values as will force into use all unused lands."

Socialists Hold Encampment.

Wichita Falls, Aug. 25.—The Socialists of the Thirteenth congressional district today began a three days' encampment at Lake Wichita. A speaking programmee has been arranged for each of the three days and the state candidates, including Thomas A. Hickey, candidate for United States senator, and E. R. Meitzen, candidate for governor, will be in attendance and deliver addresses.

July Primaries Blown Up

Two editors met in Dallas a few weeks ago—the editor of the Rebel and the editor of the Dallas Democrat. The religious editor had just come back from a prolonged battle with the grand jury and the county attorney which was caused by his desire to have the law enforced and Mr. Culberson and Mr. Colquitt placed on the rockpile for violating the law. Said we to the editor of the Dallas Democrat, who, by the way, is the famous Senator McNealus:

"What do you think, Senator, of the Houston state convention of the Democratic party from which you have just returned, I learn?"

"Just this," replied the inimitable Mac: "It has gone back on the instructions of the people delivered to them in the July primaries and as a result no man who went into the primaries is bound by the pledge that he took at that time."

"That is a matter of vital importance to tens of thousands of people," I said. "Please particularize."

"Well, first of all," said the Senator, "I was in charge of the campaign for the Robertson insurance law. The people by a majority of 87,000 ordered that the retention of the insurance law should become a platform demand. But when the convention met they threw the will of the people into the waste basket. The platform will be absolutely silent on this matter."

"Again, the people by a majority of over 1800 ordered the submission question into the platform. Again the people were flouted, and no submission plank will appear in the platform."

"Any honest, sane man can see that this violation of instructions is treachery to the people and they are no longer bound by any pledge when their representatives violate the pledge they took to put the people's demands into the platform."

The two editors went their several ways, The Rebel glad in his heart that even the blindest can see that it is a free-for-all race in November, and that the most honorable gentleman in Texas who has gone into a Democratic primary can vote the Socialist ticket in November and face his fellowman with an easy conscience.

Bullitt County, Kentucky, has passed an ordinance prohibiting the marching men (Democratic side.) Why be par- compulsory marriage. Only a [illegible] vading troops in

Meitzen at Wichita Falls.

The daily papers of Wichita Falls, namely the Daily Times and Daily Times, gave very fair and complete accounts each day of the Socialist encampment held near the city August 25, 26, 27. This unusual fairness was naturally appreciated by the Socialists. The following is a sample of the reports published. It is taken fro mthe Wichita Daily Tribune

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MEITZEN RAPS DEMOCRAT AND G. O. P. "FAKES."

TAKES KNOCK AT SIDE ISSUES RAISED BY BOTH OLD PARTIES. Charges That Lone Primaries Gave to System No Selection.

Declared That it was Banker-Landlord or Landlord-Banker Issue.

The second day of the Wichita county Socialist encampment had an increased attendance over yesterday. Quite a number of visitors came in form Electra, Iowa Park and other points in the county to hear the speaking program at the Lake Pavilion, morning, afternoon and night.

The Sunday program includes a speech on "The New Revolution," by Mrs. Mary B. Kules, of Pittsburg, Pa., at 10:30 a. m.; "The Land Question," by T. A. Hickey, socialist nominee for U. S. Senator, at 2 p. m.; "Socialism and War," by Arch Lingan, socialist nominee for Congressman-atlarge at 3 p. m.

These speeches will be at the lake pavilion. However, Mr. Lingan will speak at 4 p. m. at the usual place, corner 7th and Indiana.

E. R. Meitzen, socialist nominee for governor, who is a very pleasing and instructive speaker, wound up the second day's program with a forty-minute talk on the corner of 7th and Indiana at 4 p. m. and at Lake pavilion with a speech on the "State Platform of the Socialist Party." A large crowd had continued to grow until the last word was said, heard the speech at 4 p. m. and appeared to be much amused and interested, especially when he took impartial shots at what he termed the "fakes and side issues raised by politicians within the democratic and republican parties, when the real issue between them is who will be the most abject servant of the little rich and big rich."

"Don't Come a Whoop in Houston" What Happens Does Amounts to

"We don't care a whoop in Houston," shouted the speaker, "about this question of whether the outside insurance companies trust shall skin the people to the hose or the home insurance shall do the same thing; or whether we will starve when we shall die of the tweedle-dee of high tariff or the tweedl-dum of low tariff. The question before the house is: Shall a few men be permitted to gobble up the resources of the nation and use them to hold up the people in such amount they will stand for short of armed rebellion? We answer: All the means of life now owned by the trusts must be owned by the people.

"Big Business selects nominees for United States Senator and other high offices; men, who, when elected will represent the interests that put them through and not the interests of the masses that were driven into the primaries like sheep to the shambles and given Hobson's choice to vote for one man who by association and connections know nothing and care less for the welfare of the common people.

Advises Workers to Join Socialist Party to Vote His own Ticket.

"The remedy is for the workers to join the socialist party, that is organized by, for and of the workers, and the political power away from the classes and use it in the interest of the masses.

"We have the worst form of slavery today the world has ever known because its victims are deluded into the belief that their poverty is due to natural causes and that they are yet free citizens. In ante-bellum days the chattel slave, you, even the infirm and aged and little children were better treated than the modern slave. The negro slave had better food, clothing and shelter and medical attention because anywhere from $500 to $5000 was wrapped up in his black skin, while the modern slave is worth about two bits a dozen."

Referring to the late democratic primaries Mr. Meitzen said: "The choice of the voter has been limited to a banker-landlord or a landlord-banker for governor and other representatives of the wealthy classes of the state.

"The average man who marches up to the polls arm in arm with a Ryan of the tobacco trust and votes the democratic ticket is as foolish as the republican worker who votes the same ticket along with Rockefeller of the oil trust. Ryan and Oily John know why they are voting these tickets. The results satisfy them, but the worker does not know why he votes as he does and the result speaks for itself when he feels in his pocket. He must leave the republican and democratic parties and break away from the Ryan-Rockefeller class. He must aid in organizing a political party of his own—the Socialist party."

THE FIGHT'S SHADOW.

(By Covington Hall.)

The forests once belonged to all mankind, regardless of creed or color, just as did the boundless plain, the sea, the air, the light, the mines and waterfalls. But the forests, like all these, belongs to MAN no more. A Demon has taken possession of earth and its riches. It came about after this manner: One early morning MAN, who is the Giant Labor, was walking up a valley called Time. It was early and the mists were still thick. Everything, especially in the distance, took on strange, ab normal shapes and shadows loomed out of all proportion to the substance from whence they sprang. A pigmy waving a club stept on a mountain peak. His shadow fell across the valley. The Giant Labor looked up, beheld the terrific figure on the mountain top, trembled with fear and rushed shrieking from the scene. The pigmy seeing that the Giant did not know his power, nor the true value of things, bethought himself how to take advantage of the Giant and make him his slave. After thinking awhile the pigmy (who was chief of his tribe) called his retainers around him and they went down into the valley and entered the City of Ignorance, where dwelt the Giants. Boldly the pigmy chief entered their meeting hall, where, in great excitement, they were discussing the terrible figure that had appeared on the hilltop. Of this figure the pigmy proclaimed himself the messenger and his people, the Demons, the chosen race. He threatened the Giants with dire punishments and proclaimed it the intention of the Figure to destroy them and all their cities if they did not immediately submit to the Demons.

Strange as, it may seem the bluff went and, unbelievable as it sounds, that is how MAN, who is the Giant Labor, lost control of the earth, because he first lost control of himself. Since that day the sons and daughters of the Giants have worked for the sons and daughters of the pigmies, day after day, generation after generation, until now the Demons control and claim "ownership" over all the earth. Today the Giants toil longer and harder than ever, make all things and have nothing, and this they do lest the Demons turn loose upon them the terrible Figure, which is called FEAR.

Fear of hunger, fear of life, fear of death, fear of prison, fear of cross, whip and sword, fear of truth, fear of justice, fear or freedom, fear of right and fear of liberty, fear of fear, fear of war, fear of peace, fear of fear; fear and lust, but wildest fear of all, fear of the Boss, the Demon of the JOB. So have the Demons filled the world with fear that they have themselves also become the victims of the pigmy's shadow, bandsmen of their own apparition, serfs of the ghost called Fear. Fear rules the camp, the court, the church, the State, the World. Fear, alone, keeps the Giant Labor on his knees, the Demon pigmies on his back.

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THE PAPER FAMINE AND HIGH PRICES.

(Manufacturer's Record.)

The price of paper, which has advanced from 100 to 200 per cent, or more, over prices prevailing a year ago, seriously threatens the life of a large number of publications throughout the country and greatly lessens the profit of others.

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The Rebel and the Paper Trust.

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Even the Gal-Dal. News is yelling and the pink-whiskered "wop," Caesar Lombardi, who manages the destinies of that old prostitute of commercialism, is yelling like a coyote caught in a trap. Thousands of little weeklies have suspended over the nation. Little daily papers are cutting their size in half, increasing the subscription rate and doubling their advertising rates. Some (like the Durham, N. C. Advertiser) are planning one issue a week, but The Rebel is going joyously on its way.

We think for one moment that we have any indulgence from the white paper trust. Last week we were informed that the price of white news print was to be in August $60 per hundred where formerly we bought it at $2.50.

We don't know if paper will go higher, but in the meantime, rather than raise the subscription rate, The Rebel will stand to the last moment by its old policy of giving the biggest paper in the South at cheapest possible price. We do not know how long we can maintain this price in this crisis, therefore we ask every comrade and sympathizer everywhere to get busy instantly and pile in your subs in clubs of four to one hundred, before it is too late.

Remember for the moment we stand at the old price; 50 cents a year, $1 for 3 years, and in clubs of four, 25 cents each.

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HEAR ME, WAR!

By Covington Hall.

Shed your glamour and your tinsel, put aside your braid and plume,
The strutting stride of dress parade, the manners you assume;
Give orders that the bands shall cease, your chargers all dismount,
And in the face of youth for once your naked ego front!

The fanfaronade and flags out out, the droning of the priest,
The praise of perjured preachers SHOW THE VULTURES AT THEIR FEAST!
The dead boys on the battlefield, their bodies gnawed by dogs,
Their eyes torn out by lizzards, and their hearts by starving hogs!

Appeal for once to reason, fiend, once only if you dare,
And let the soldiers in the trenches see the men who sent them there—
The Autocrats and Presidents, the Kaisers, Czars and Kings,
Who profit by the miseries that war to labor brings.

Quit prating of democracy, quit marking Christ your tool;
Let us hear no more of Kultur, nor of the golden rule.
Be man enough to tell the truth, the truth, if you be brave,
The truth that means you following slain millions to the grave!

The truth, and nothing but the truth, in truth's plain language tell;
Of ruin, rape and slaughter boast, deeds darker than hell——
You dare not. O you dare not! lest to Hight's avenging drums, The Soul of Man awakens and the Revolution comes!

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T. A. HICKEY — McCauley, Sept. 1, 2; Clovis, N. M., 4, 5, 6; Dalhart, 7, 8, 9; Dunlap, 11.

ARCH LINGAN — Clovis, N. M., Sept. 4, 5, 6.

G. A. LAMBERTH — Howard county, Sept. 2.

MARY B. KULES — Clovis, N. M., Sept. 4, 5, 6; Crowell and vicinity, 8 to 15.

For the remainder of the campaign send orders for appointments for E. R. Meitzen, candidate for governor, to W. T. Weeb, State Secretary, Cisco, Tex.

W. J. Bell, Manager, Tyler, Tex.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

New York City, July 31, 1916.

To the Editor of "The Rebel,"

Sir:

In your issue of the 29th Comrade G. T. Lewis is quoted relative to objections being made to the land petition as if there not being enough revenue if all taxes were removed from all labor products and that if the rent of land was taken by taxation the landlord would raise the rent of land.

First of all the most important thing for every comrade to understand is this: A tax levied on anything produced by labor is added to the cost of the labor product but a tax levied on the rent of land cannot be added to the cost of anything produced by labor.

Example:—If corn is raised on an acre of land worth $100 and other corn is raised on land worth $200 an acre, the corn raised on the dearer land will not bring more than the corn raised on the cheap land, for it is the law of supply and demand that regulates the price of the corn and not the ground rent paid for the dear land, but if the rent of the land is given to a landlord, and the product of labor (corn) is taxed to —!!!! the city or state, then the tax is added to the cost of the corn and it is paid for by the consumer of the corn. The landlords know that if we take the ground rent they cannot raise the rent of the land, for the law of supply and demand determines ground rent and not landlords, they are getting all they can for the land now.

Therefore do not ever forget that when the rent of land is taken by taxation for public expenses are rent of land cannot be added to the price of anything produced by labor. But if the rent of land is given to the landlord (for land he never furnished) and the taxes are levied on what labor or produces then the tax is added to the cost of producing the labor product and is paid for by the consumer.

Respectfully,

G. Lloyd.

1460 56th Brooklyn, N. Y.

REASONABLE WAGE FOR THE MAN WHO FLOWS, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO WORK IN INDUSTRY.

Fort Worth, Aug. 23.—Hon. Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.: The farmer stands for a fair and reasonable wage for both labor and capital engaged in the handling the products of the soil from the time it leaves the hands of the farmer until it reaches the ultimate consumer.

The contention that eight hours' of labor should constitute a day's work we agree, and that every laborer should receive such compensation as will enable him to support his family in comfort, we also recognize.

If your plan contemplates eight hours per day for all those who labor, including the farmers, and a reasonable wage for the man who plows as well as those who work in industry, then we are with you, but if in its application, it results in decreasing the hours of those employed in the cities and increasing the hours of those employed in the fields, then we are opposed to it.

Farmers of this state work from twelve to fourteen hours per day and the average compensation does not exceed $2 per day. We have in this state nearly a quarter of a million women working as farm hands in the field from sun to sun for 50 cents per day, which is as much as the products of their toil will bear.

If your plan is capable of giving them a full day's pay for eight hours' labor, then we are with you, but if it results in shifting either hours or dollars from those who labor in industry to the backs of those who follow the plow, we are unalterably opposed to it.

We are willing to give to labor engaged in transportation service as favorable conditions and as fair remuneration as we ourselves receive.

It is an accepted custom in increasing wages of labor to pass the increase on to the consumer or producer. The men who pay the freight there force have an equitable distribution which cannot involuntarily be transmitted to others and the principle involved is too great to temporarily yield to intimidation.

We believe the fundamental issues so far-reaching, the financial outlay of such gigantic proportions and the present application of the principle so limited in its scope that the subject should receive the most careful investigation and study where the farmers and all interests can receive a patient hearing, and we ask that the entire controversy be turned over to a properly constituted committee for adjustment.

It is the history of most economic reforms that those affected themselves before reaching the farmer, and we want the farming interests directly represented in such fundamental centers where before this government commits itself to any definite policy, temporary or permanent in which they are made a party.

Henry N. Pope,

President Texas Farmers' Union.

IF PRICES always increase faster than wages, how is it possible for the working class to ever be prosperous under capitalism?

"WAR BRIDES."

(By Lee A. Stone, M. D.)

Madam Nazimova, whose great dramatic work is the playlet "War Brides," has attracted world-wide attention, declares in the following paragraph what she is. She says:

"I am a Russian woman, a tiller of the field of drama, and Oh, so happy to find a heaven-sent piece like 'War Brides' which so splendidly pictures drama my hatred of war and what war does to women. Art is so big and we are so little, but with sincerity we can do much, and I am in vaudeville because I feel that this style of entertment and agency should be done by those who suffer. My brother, my uncle, my cousins are at the front, and I know from my own life how to play this role."

Only a woman who has actually felt the pangs of war can play the role of Joan in Marion Craig Wentworth's remarkable drama "War Brides"—she must feel all that she says or else her lines would fall flat. Madamoiselle says, "Thank God, we have a real play in 'War Brides'! It isn't long, but it is the condensed encyclopedia of the hell of war. I don't think a role of this intensity could be carried through a regulation play. I never heard of Marion Craig Wentworth before I saw the action of this little drama, but she is very great. She has become the voice of the women of Europe. Her imagination has the power of Dante's. Never have I been so happy as when I came upon her playlet."

Words of the character of the above can not come from lips that utter only meaningless phrases. They come from the heart, and Madamoiselle's great work that is magnificent—a work that will live to accomplish a great purpose in the future. The world needs more women of her kind, who are willing to act living dramas. "War Brides" is truly a living truth.

War tears its way through society it breaks all rules, all conventions, all ordered methods. Man's purpose is not to question but to bow subservient, by to the will of the king—to do and die.

The church is usually in partnership with the state and gives its sanction to the performance of certain acts by the state, which should be repugnant to its clergy. Men and women wed in hatchen, to partners they possibly will never see again, after the women have become impregnated by the male seed.

"What else is woman's mission? What else is she fit for except to bear children for her country?" This is the position the church assumes. This has been the attitude of the ecclesiastic and the state since the dawn of the Christian period. They say that man should breed before he dies.

Before the birth of history and since, there has existed an institution known as "Sacred Prostitution" that demanded of women that they save their race by sacrificing their virginity to strangers for the purpose of furnishing to the state offspring. War brides are nothing more than "Sacred Prostitutes," sacrificed before the altar of Jehovah, rather than in the gardens of the Goddess of Mylitta of Babylon. A change in the name of the deity is the only difference between them and their ancient sisters who suffered under the yoke of sex thousands of years ago.

There can be nothing holy in a marriage that unites for a night a man and a woman, in order that they may indulge in a sexual union for the purpose of breeding "cannon bait"—this is the only name that rightly fits the babe born of such a union;—"War Brides" and "War Husbands." In such a union there is no thought of love, only the physical can be attained. There can be no hope that the child will have a spiritual nature for a nature of this sort comes only when there is a physical demand felt by the parents for such effect. Love is the term applied to this feeling and without love only physical monster in the majority of instances can be born.

How clergy wearing the garb of Christianity could unite in holy wedlock by the wholesale, male and female beings, who have only known each other a few hours, is beyond the conception of Joan, and her whole being revolts at the idea of her sister being forced into a marriage which can only mean suffering for her and her offspring.

The making of "War Brides" was the only makeshift—ecclesiastics were not willing to recognize the profession of prostitution, so they legalized the sexual union of men and women in order that they might indulge in the sex relation, the only difference being that the women became unwilling legal prostitutes, in many instances, as a sacrifice both to their country and to their God.

The clergy and reformers rave and rant at prostitution in its present commercialized form, yet are willing to sacrifice the lives of the females of a nation, to Jehovah, in order that militarism may draw upon them for babes, only to have them destroyed by the ravages of war. The mill of the militarist is not particular as to the kind of quality of grain it grinds,—it only wants it in tremendous quantities, for cannon are large consumers.

What can be more horrible than to see a fine specimen of young womanhood legally sacrificing to a stranger for a night, or at best for a few nights, under the guise of patriotism! Could there be any greater punishment put upon a woman than the torture she would endure in the knowledge that she failed in her duty to herself, that she had lost her most precious possession—her virginity?

Women are not breeding machines. They are the hope and slave of every nation upon earth—without them races would decay, and the spiritual element in man's nature would cease to exist.

Sara Farrar in the Rocky Mountain News says: "War Babies is like Millet's paintings in its simplicity, power and truth. It is the story of the common people and what they suffer. But there is sas difference—a Millet picture is hopeless and in this play the woman is conscious of her power and willing to sacrifice herself for her belief that the women can make war impossible by refusing to bear children for cannon food."

Yesterday woman submitted blindly to the will of her "lord and master." Today she demands a reason for sacrifice and before this horrible conflict is over, she will break away from the traditions of the past and take her place as a power in the control of things material. A new Joan of Arc will emerge from the smoke of cannon and the rattle of muskets to lead not her brothers but her sisters to the mountain peaks of hope, where they can watch the sunrise of a new day as it bursts upon them.

Europe is going through the pains of labor, war is the accoucheur and upon the bloody fields of battle will there be born a child whose names will be "Freedom." There will be needed no need for suicide to keep from sacrificing babes to the gods of war. A new spirituality will come from Europe. Out of carnage and the brotherhood of man will become an established fact.

Socialism offers a great deal, yet it is not a perfect system. More good will come from it than harm, and maybe in the near future, a new philosophy of life will evolve from the work of Socialists.

Children should belong altogether to their mothers, for it is their mother's blood which courses through their veins. The mother is all in all to her child and certainly she could have the say as to its future. Modern scientists insist on quality in their offspring and not quantity, and it is the duty of every woman to revolt whenever anything is attempted that will lower in any way her standards. The "quality child" of the future will be the one who will rule when it reaches manhood or womanhood.

The revolt of Joan against the idea of being led like a brood mare is magnificent, and when she says "Who gives you the men? We women. We bear and rear and agonize. Well if we are fit for that, we are fit to have a voice in the fate of the men we bear. If we can bring forth men for the nation, we can sit with you in your councils and shape the destiny of our nation, and say whether it is to War or Peace we give the sons we bear." She rises to heights that seem almost unattainable—she sounds the keynote of feminism, and throws down the gauntlet to a set of monarchs who could later will feel the power of her mailed first.

Feminism will free women. Feminism will destroy war and militarism as institutions. Feminism is calculated to rebuild social institutions that have become decadent because of individualism. Individualism simply means self interest and whenever a nation or people becomes self-centered, they lose sight of the refining influences around them and sink deep into the mire of commercialism, which does not hold one single action of spirituality, but is filled up with those things which defile mind and morals.

As a result of this great world-war, there will have been born at least five hundred thousand illegitimate children during the year 1915. This means that the mothers ("War") refused to bear children for female virginity of over two million war babies born as a consequence of brutal assault. These mothers who are the slaves of a martial spirit, and who after the first shot is fired in battle become primitive savages.

Joan knew this, and fought her sisters fight. Amelia, carried away by the thought of doing something for the dark Fatherland does not think of the dark hours that will be ahead of her, should she become a "War Bride." A woman enciente needs the attention of her husband more than she does at any other time. Joan felt this and tried to advise against a marriage that carried with it no thought of love.

The mother, a woman of yesterday, is willing to sacrifice her daughters as she has her sons for the country of her birth, feeling that she is doing homage to her Emporer and to her God.

Hoffman is carried away with the ego of the soldier, and can see no harm in a sacrifice of the kind he asks Amelia to make. He hears only the command of his Emperor. He offers marriage the promise of a soldier's pension bride the suffering his bride of a night for the suffering he finds out she will endure when she knows almost for a certainty that its father will be killed or wounded so badly as to be made a helpless wreck for the rest of his days.

Nazimova's work surpasses that of any emotional actress for, as she says, she actually feels that she is in the midst of all the sorrow and suffering of Europe. She has refused to return to the legitimate stage until she has carried the frightfully realistic work she has for all mankind to as many as will come and hear it.

What Madam Nazimova is fighting for is Peace, and she believes that "War Brides" is a means of bringing home to her sisters the fact that the women of Europe really feel. One way they can accomplish a result when handling the rabble is to play on their emotions and appeal to their intelligence and dramatic workmanship as she displays calls forth all that is good in her audiences. She makes them who go to see this drama of life, think. She is doing the woman's cause more good than all the street corner agitation in America and Europe could ever hope to do, for the reason that she portrays a role full of living thought, full of a new purpose.

Mrs. Marion Craig Wentworth said in an interview recently in the New York Tribune: "I can't explain how I came to write 'War Brides,' it just came. I suppose it had to be done. I just felt the great vibration of the feeling that was moving all women to pity and protest. Of course, if I had not been a mother, I couldn't have done it, but I have given life, and I know how precious it is. My little boy is nine, and he has always been my companion. When he was three years old I used to look at him and think of those other mothers whose sons were going away to the war. I felt sorry of how much they had given to make fine men of their little boys, and how little all I was. I just couldn't stand it then. So I wrote the play."

Mrs. Wentworth was in Nevada for her child's health when the war broke out. She read of how the war brides were cheered with enthusiasm and the crowds were crowded when the wedding parties spoke the ceremony in concert. This was too much for troubled Joan. I just couldn't stand it then. So I wrote the play."

Madam Nazimova exclaimed fervently in a recent interview, "I'm the mother of two children, and I'm the mother of two children, and can not these things be stopped? They take us in the cradle and teach us all the virtues and the ideals of what we should be—a mother, and they exalt the family. Then war comes, and all the virtues are forgotten and the bloody mire; love is mocked and the family is torn apart by the war god. Woman becomes a female animal in war, so far as any shielding or consideration is concerned. We return to the primitive and have to bear the women among the primitive men. I never studied a role before with the feeling I bring to this. To me, this time I am in vaudeville will be holy."

Joan solves the problem when she exclaims after the Captain assures her there will always be war, "Then one day we will stop giving you men. Look at mother. Four sons torn from her in one month, and none of you ever asked her if she wanted war. You keep us here helpless. We don't want dreadnoughts and armies, and fighting, we women. You tear our husbands, our sons from us, you never ask us to help you find a better way—and haven't we anything to say?"

The ending of the play is a terse enforcement of her words—"They have taken my Franz!"

Mother: Get her back! I feared it! Grief has made her mad!

Joan: I will send a message to the Emporer If ten thousand women send one like it, there will be peace and no more war. Then they will hear our tears.

A Voice: What is the message? Tell us!

Joan: Soon you will know. (Loudly). But I tell you now, don't bear any more children until they promise you there will be more war.

Hertz (Capt.): I heard you. I declare you under arrest. Come with me. You will be shot for treason.

Mother (fearfully): Don't say that, sir. Wait. (To Joan) You can't do that! (She gets out her work basket and shows him the baby things she has been knitting. Joan snatches the things and crushes them to her breast.)

Hertz: Is this true? You accept—

Joan (promdly): You will not shoot me if I give you a soldier for your empire and your armies and your guns, will you, Herr Captain?

Hertz: Why—ah, no. Every child counts these times. But I will put counts these times. But I will put you in my back and key. You are a firebrand. Come along.

Joan: You want my child, but still you will not promise me what I asked you. Well, we shall see.

Hertz: Come along.

Joan: Give me just a moment. I want to send a message to the Emporer. Will you take it, Herr Captain?

Mother: Humor her.

Hertz: Well, well, hurry up!

Joan (whispering): She has lost Franz. She is crazed.

Joan (rising): There, see that it is placed in the hands of the Emporer. Good bye, Amelia! Never be a "War Bride," Amelia. Good bye, Mother. Thank you for them.

Joan: You may read the message out loud (she disappears into the room still pressing the little sock to her lips).

Hertz: "A message to the Emporer: I refuse to bear my child until you promise there shall be no more war."

A shot is fired in the bed room. Joan has filed her final protest. She is dead.

ARKS WARRANT FOR DR. BROOKS

(Waco Tribune, Aug. 23.)

County Attorney John B. McNamara refused to take a complaint against Dr. Samuel Palmer Brooks, late candidate for United States senator, and Tom Hickey told him that it was dangerous for the county attorney to exercise discretion in the matter of taking complaints.

Tom Hickey is nominee of the Socialist party for United States senator. He reached here Friday night, devoted Saturday to writing about the recent experience he had in Dallas, and called on the county attorney, Monday he spoke in the lower edge of the county. He publishes a paper called the Rebel at Halletsville, and in this paper he rebels against every thing and everybody—he is "agin the government." Recently he went before the Dallas county grand jury and asked that indictments be returned against O. B. Colquitt, Charles A. Culberson and George W. Biddle for failing to comply with the election laws of this state, laying before the grand jury the facts that these candidates had not filled the specific items in their expenses as required by the law regulating primary elections for United States senators. The grand jury of Dallas county declined to act on the question and Hickey left Dallas declaring that he would write up the entire proceedings before the grand jury in his paper in Halletsville.

Saturday he called on County Clerk John W. Baker and asked to see the expense accounts filed by the candidates for United States senator who live in this county. Mr. Baker passed them to him. He looked them over, satisfied himself that Congressman Lee Henry had complied with the law in every respect so he gave that candidate a clearance. Then he called on County Attorney McNamara and laid before him the facts regarding Dr. Brooks. He wanted to make complaint against Dr. Brooks for failure to file his accounts in detail as the law requires, and he wanted a sheriff to go right now and get the president of Baylor university.

Mr. McNamara said that he did not think Dr. Brooks had wilfully and maliciously violated a law and he would refuse to make the complaint. He said further that he did not think Dr. Brooks guilty of moral turpitude or that the state had suffered in any way by the failure of Dr. Brooks to file his accounts—if he had failed.

Then Tom Hickey said it was dangerous for the county attorney to exercise discretion.

County Attorney McNamara said he had exercised judgment in the conduct of his office; that he thought some common sense ought to be used in the conduct of the office and he tried to use brains as well as statutes.

Tom Hickey did not admit the brains part of it. He is a Socialist and he don't believe there is much brains in the Democratic party—especially just an ordinary county attorney. He had a lot of fun with the county attorney, and the county attorney had some fun with him. They exchanged plain words, there was a parry and a thrust, and it was all good nature, Hickey insisting and McNamara refusing. The result was that Hickey got no warrant, but he has made his record complete on the subject. These efforts to get Dallas and McLennan county men arrested will be used by him in his campaign as the Socialist candidate for United States senator, and he is laying the predicate, he says, for a contest before the United States senate after the November election. Hickey's contention will be that he is the only candidate for United States senator in Texas, who has complied with the Texas election laws, and therefore the only one who is qualified to be voted on in November.

The evils that begin to appear spring from the belief that the application of intelligence to social affairs has not kept pace with the application of intelligence to individual needs and material excites. National science strides forward, but political science lags. With all our progress in the arts which produce wealth, we have made no progress in securing its equitable distribution. *Henry George.*

Freeland dates.

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Socialist Nonimee for State Supt.

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HOT TIMES IN SOMERVELL COUNTY.

The Socialists and the Donks are "mixin" things in Somervell county. A few days ago the comrades pulled off a big encampment at Glen Rose, the county seat of Somervell. One of the biggest crowds that has ever attended a picnic of any kind there was on the grounds all thre days. Mary B. Kulea, J. A. Freeland, E. R. Meitzen and ye writer were the speakers.

The enthusiasm displayed by the applause rendered the speakers alarmed the Donks. A debate between Leland Baker and Judge C. R. Kinchen, a Democrat lawyer of Fort Worth, was pulled off. Kinchen is a free thinker and when he began unloading upon the orthodox Christians the Democrats became alarmed. A lawyer practicing in the Somervell county court house arose and interrupted Kinchen and branded him as an impostor upon the Democrat party and stated that the Democrats of Somervell county had not endorsed him to come there and discuss that subject with Baker.

Kinchen replied that the Democrat party of Somervell county was not the only Democrat party of Texas, that there was a few in Tarrant county and that he had a perfect right under the constitution and the laws of the state to go anywhere, any time and discuss any question he pleased. He then challenged the Somervell lawyer to meet him on the same question he and Baker were discussing, but the lawyer wouldn't ante.

Then the Donks proceeded to try and break up the picnic by placing under arrest three of the concession men on the grounds who were running a prize wheel, who sold a package of chewing gum or a cigar for 5c and gave the purchaser a chance at different prizes, cash etc. Two of those arrested were Socialists, one a Democrat. The Socialists were bound over to wait the action of the Grand jury, the Democrat released. During the trial Judge Kinchen, who had been engaged to defend the boys, asked the constable, a big 200 lbs. Bully, "if it wasn't a fact that he was an ex-convict." The constable replied, "Yes". He then asked him what for. The constable who was on the witness stand replied, "for cattle stealing."

During the trial the lawyer that had interrupted Kinchen during the debate came into the court room drunk and proceeded to express his opinion as to what should be done, the judge after commanding him several times to keep quiet ordered him thrown out of the court room, which the constable, who is also undertaker, per and bouncer for the court, did.

After the trial as Judge Kinchen reached for his hat to leave the room the constable stepped up beside him and struck him in the face and pushed him over a chair. A turmoil raged in the court room for several minutes. Judge Kinchen who is an old man, 64 years of age, and who weighs less than 125 pounds was no match for the big brute of a constable.

After this was quieted the comrades proceeded to make bond for the boys and then returned to the Park where the picnic was going on. The Democrats lost at least 100 votes as a result of this affair.

The judge (Kinchen) was arrested later on the grounds, charged with using abusive language. Nothing has yet been done to the constable who assaulted him.

Tuesday following the picnic the Donks realizing that they had lost their "Strangle hold" on the voters of Somervell sent for W. C. Witcher to come to Glen Rose and speak at different points in Somervell county against Socialism. Regardless of the fact that Witcher had been challenged to meet one of the Socialist representatives at the Socialist encampment, Witcher came and spoke in Glen Rose Tuesday and during his discourse he repeatedly called for Baker. "Oh where is he, he would shout," he then issued a challenge for the Socialists to produce a man to meet him—to defend Socialism. J. A. Freeland, the Socialist nominee for State Supt. of Public Instruction, stepped forward and submitted the following proposition:

RESOLVED, that the Socialist party offers a better policy of good for the people of the United States, as set forth in their national platform, than that of the Democratic party as set forth in their national platform.

Freeland agreed to affirm the above and asked Witcher to deny. The chairman of the Democrat party offered to endorse Witcher to discuss this question but Witcher refused this proposition and wanted to submit a substitute proposition.

Witcher is very cowardly in his method of fighting Socialism. He evades the real issues of the day in which the Socialist party is concerned, relying upon books written by various writers against Socialism, claiming these to be Socialists. He charged: Free Love, Nigger Equality, Infidelity, Impractibility, etc.

Speaking of "Free Love" I was told while at Grandview a short time ago, that one of Witchers sisters had been seduced by an uncle and that it leaked out so strong that the uncle left the country and his sister followed later. I can produce three men at any time that live almost neighbors to Witcher's father and they assert that this is true. Witcher also spoke of man "losing his incentive under Socialism", if what I am told is true Witcher has no need to be alarmed for he has none to lose, for it has been told to me that until about three years ago Witcher lived with his father and they say that Witcher didn't have enough "incentive" to cut stove wood and fetch water for his old mother allowing her to do this while he sat around and studied "how to fight Socialism." Now a man is usually judged by the company he keeps and while in Glen Rose Witcher was in constant association with the ex-cattle-thief and constable who assaulted the old gray-haired judge in the court room.

The court house ring here is "boosting" Witcher; the bank and big merchants are furnishing the cash while this Christless buzzard soars around belching out his deadly "puge" on respectable people.

But the tenant farmers and day laborers are on to "their little game" and while they fight hard and fast making converts for the Socialist party at their every meeting we chuckle in our sleeves to see their little play house crumble soon bit by bit, and we eagerly look forward to the day when the working class of Texas are fully educated to the tricks of the traitors like these hyenas and until they end the existence of this class I am

Yours in the fight.

Leland G. Backer.

Socialist Nominee for Congress from the 12th District.

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Notice

I am open for dates in Comanche, Erath, Parker, Hood, Somervell, Johnson and Tarrant counties, comprising the 12th District. All Locals wanting me for lecture or organization write John A. Wood, secretary 12th district, Glen Rose, Tex.

Leland G. Baker.

"The Singing Socialist."

Socialist Nominee for Congress 12th District.

SOCIALIST RED WEEK.

Those in charge of the national campaign of the Socialist Party are planning for a whirlwind ending of their campaign in September.

The plan is to devote one solid week to big meetings to be held simultaneously in every part of the nation.

The plan calls upon the 6,000 local organizations of the Socialist Party, the 100,000 members, and the hundreds of thousands of trade unionists more or less friendly to the Socialist Party to unite in one concentrated effort during the week beginning September 3rd and ending with Sunday, September 10th, which is to be Socialist Red Week.

During this week every organization of the Socialist Party and its affiliated groups are urged to arrange big mass meetings.

On Sunday, September 3rd will be BENSON-KIRKPATRICK DAY. On that day great rallies will be held in every city and important center, as well as in the smaller communities, at which the claims of the candidates of the Socialist Party will be put to the fore.

On Monday, September 4th, comes LABOR DAY. On that day the Socialists will join in the Labor Day celebrations, hold special meetings in the interest of organized labor, and co-operate with the trade union movement as far as possible in advancing the interests of the working class.

Tuesday, September 5th, will be MEMBERSHIP DAY. On that day special meetings will be held and special efforts made to recruit new members of the Socialist Party and to get back into the organization those who have lapsed in membership.

Wednesday, September 6th, will be WAGE FUND DAY. On that day efforts will be made to secure for the campaign fund a one day's contribution from each member and friend of the movement.

Thursday, September 7th, will be YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAY, on which special attention will be given to the Young Peoples' Socialist League and work among the young.

Friday, September 8th, will be WOMAN'S DAY. On that day special attention will be given to woman's suffrage, especially in those state where it is an issue, and in general to the problems of women and women's organizations.

Saturday, September 9th, will be SOCIALIST SUBSCRIPTION DAY. At that time the efforts will be concentrated upon the securing of hundreds and thousands of new readers for all the Socialist publications.

Sunday, September 10th, will be the final BIG DAY OF RED WEEK. On that day the special efforts will culminate in the collections of funds for the national campaign of the Party.

In short, this whole RED WEEK will be an effort to concentrate the Socialist and Labor forces for the launching of the greatest labor campaign the nation has ever seen.

The Socialist Party has set out to do some mighty big things this fall. Among them are the following:

Send 1,250,000 Benson leaflets which Mr. White employed his into Oklahoma to help carry the state.

Print and distribute 50 million pieces of Socialist leaflets besides other literature.

Elect Eugene V. Debs to Congress from Indiana.

Help New York re-elect Meyer London and reinforce him with another congressman — Morris Hillquit.

Elect Grant Miller United States Senator from Nevada.

Help Wisconsin carry Milwaukee County.

Help carry the city of Minneapolis.

Double the Socialist Party membership and make it 200,000.

Double the Socialist vote and make it 2,000,000 this fall.

MEXICAN PROGRESS.

We copy from the National Magazine of June 15th, 1915, a portion of a statement made by Gen. Venustiano Carranza, concerning the Constitutionalist party in Mexico. This article presents him in a different light and may cause us to regard him more charitably than we have heretofore done. He says, in part,

"The Constitutionalist party stands for the constitution of 1857 and the reform laws attained by Benito Juarez, after a three years' war. Those laws marked the entrance of our nation upon the paths of achievement and liberty. * * *

"No other thought or dream ever dominated my heart and soul than the desire to see peace and liberty established. For centuries Mexico has been the happy hunting ground of investors. Not only the natural resources, but the land, the great heritage of the common people has been taken from them and given to wealthy concessionaires. Today the people own nothing; while the incalculable natural wealth in the form of mines and oil fields, and huge tracts of land is owned and controlled by a few people. * * *

"The Constitutionalist party represents the spirit of the twentieth century. It is fighting for the rights of the people — who, through the faults of various dictators, have been kept in ignorance and submission. It is fighting for the culture and the education so liberally enjoyed by every civilized nation of the world. * * *

"Education and enlightenment — that is the guiding policy of our party. For that very reason we have now fifty school teachers studying the educational system of the United States. We are gradually adopting your institutions of learning; so we have introduced into Mexico the vocational training school methods employed in the states of Wisconsin and Massachusetts. In the near future, we hope to adopt some of your other methods of learning and culture. That will help to bring the two nations to a better understanding of each other. * * *

"The program of the revolution may be summed up in the following important clauses:

"First — The disintegration of enormous estates: i. e., the vast area of land owned by the few, so as to promote the formation of small properties.

"Second — Equity in the taxing of land and real estate.

"Third — The creation of an all-embracing labor legislation. b) The establishment of municipal liberty as a constitutional institution.

"Fourth — A change in the system of the organization of the army.

"Fifth — Electoral laws to guarantee the effectiveness of the vote.

"Sixth — Establishment of the independence of the judicial power in the federal government, as well as in the states. b) Revision of laws regarding matrimony and the domestic condition of individuals.

"Seventh — Reformation of judicial proceedings in order to render the administration of justice prompt and effective; the revision of civil, criminal and commerial laws.

"Eighth — Revision of the laws relative to the exploitation of lumber, waters, petroleum, and other resources of the country, with a view to abolishing monopoly."

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