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CURRENT COMMENT
BY FREDERIC HEATH

It is safe to say that Roosevelt justly... about the most mis-trusted man in the country today.

The workers build workhouses, jails and insane asylums and capitalism feeds it that they occupy them.

Finland now has dues-paying Socialists to the number of 48,406. A large percentage of this number are said to live in the rural districts.

It is reported that the next International congress of the Social-Democrats of the world will be held at Vienna, Austria, beginning August 24, 1918.

In urging the sale of Edmond Kelly's book, "Twentieth Century Socialism," a mistake was made in this price. The cost is \$1.75 instead of \$1, as was made to appear.

The Socialists of Greece cast 26,000 votes at the last election and are represented by three members in the national parliament. There are forty-five labor organizations, most of whom cooperate with the Socialists politically.

The New York state committee of our party has sent a protest to the Associated Press against its lying dispatch to the effect that Schrank, who shot Roosevelt, was a Socialist.

This issue of The Herald is a betwixt and between one. That is, it goes to press before the election but too late to be devoted to campaign arguments—save for the fact that the Social-Democratic campaign is a perpetual one.

A national Socialist Chinese party was recently organized at a convention at Nanking, attended by 3,000 delegates, which chose nine directors and thirty counselors, with Dr. Sen as chairman of the directorate.

Now how does this strike you? China has started a Socialist daily newspaper, with the private secretary of Sun Yat Sen as editor.

The Two "Leading" Reformers --- What Can You Expect from "Reform?"

Probably the two most prominent "reformers" before the American people today are William Jennings Bryan and Robert M. La Follette. It is rather interesting for an impartial observer to take notice of their present attitude.

Ex-Senator Dague Answers Taft's Attack on Socialism

(By R. A. Dague, Author of "Henry Ashton," "What Is Socialism," "What Is Capitalism," Etc.)

As respectable, under Socialism, as practicing law, measuring dry goods, or following any individual voca-tion, Mr. Taft defends the profit system under which the speculator and schemer get a portion of the earnings of working people without returning any equivalent therefor.

He says that the Socialists want to abolish private ownership of property. That is not true, and I greatly regret that Mr. Taft refreshes this oft-explored false statement.

Mr. Taft says that, if the government "took over" the railroads, telegraphs, telephones, and other great public utilities, the government could not operate them at a profit.

According to the Cleveland Citizen the Kerr party in Ohio has reached its Waterloo. Says the Citizen: "It is unofficially reported that State Referendum 'E,' initiated by Local Columbus to recall the State Executive Committee, has been carried by a vote of 1,010 to 908."

Debs in Milwaukee

"Never was the promise of Socialism so cheering as it is now," declared Debs. "The workers of the nation are awakened and aroused as never before in the history of the country, and the coming election will go down as one of the most significant ever held."

The Trade Unionist Converts to Socialism

He climbs through union, lockout, strike, Through starving home and bloody death To power slow growing masterful, To life instinct with brotherhood.

Frederick Irons Bamford.

"The type of 'labor officials' that the fusionists are importing to fight their battles for them can be found in no other city except Washington."



The Gompers Policy Bared to Public View---and Scorn

BY ROBERT HUNTER.

I have just received the campaign number of the American Federationist, and I find therein the old familiar advice to labor.

"Reward your friends and punish your enemies." That is Samuel Gompers' chief advice to the labor leader.

"It sounds well. It appears wise. It looks practical. Certainly no man would be foolish enough to disagree with that advice.

Would any man suggest that labor should reward its enemies and punish its friends? By all means reward your friends. Stand by them through thick and thin.

But having said that we are no further forward. It is a general tactic as practical as it is practical as the command, "Love your brother as yourself."

We must first find our friends. Who are they? Where shall we seek them so that we may bring them our reward?"

Gov. Hughes of New York wanted several years ago to pass an anti-gambling bill. He found many in his own party at odds with him.

Someday his enemies, advisers, and those who had few or no friends to reward, and to punish.

After a short campaign he quit that method of trying to reward his friends and punish his enemies.

Abraham Lincoln once saw a slave sold at the block. He knelt there and said a word for the freedom of the slave.

He was in the position of a man who had few or no friends to reward, and to punish.

Suppose trade union officials were elected by union votes but paid by the bosses. How many strikes would succeed, Brother Sam?

Yet that's your political policy---reward your friends with votes, but let the Democratic or Republican or Bull Moose corporations pay their bills.

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enemies of the negro in the Whig party. To vote for either party meant to reward not the friends but the enemies of the negro.

Abe was honest, and he declared for the abolition of slavery. He had no friends who should be only the friends of the negro.

There was then a clear-cut fight between the friends of the negro and the enemies of the negro. He who voted for the new party could do no other than reward friends and punish enemies.

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Modern Germany—The World's Wonder

BY HORACE B. WALMSLEY.

Everyone understands of course, that the growth of Germany since the Franco-Prussian war—even commercially and industrially—has been the marvel of history.

And today when Germany challenges in the markets of the world the supremacy even of Great Britain—as a trader and merchant—the Social-Democrats have almost one-third the members in the parliament, and they and the Centrists—have a majority in that body.

The Poles, having only 18 men, are too shrewd to send any fool to the Central Committee and they are too wise not to understand that brains count.

Germany, then, is governed by brains, not only by a clear working majority, but overwhelmingly. And under such a government, business—in Germany, is beating the world.

Nor is this supremacy of brains in the German government anything new. Bismarck was always conscious of it, and pointing out that it constantly thwarted his plans for what he thought was best for Germany.

Syndicalism and Retrogression

(United Mine Workers Journal.) It is not to our best interests to follow the example of those who say "The human race never adopts right methods until it has tried all other methods."

It will take the best thought of all who have the best interest of that great majority of the human race—the workers, at heart, to avoid a great tactical mistake, ostensibly in the interest of that class—the program of the Syndicalists.

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against the Socialists while trying to tell of all the great things "Bill" Cary accomplished for labor while in congress—attending the majority of the sessions by the absent treatment.

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day, one must first understand yesterday. The past is to the nation the same thing as the memory to the individual. A man who cannot remember his affairs is insane or in his dotage.

Understand its meaning. Kautsky makes it plain in his great little book and you also learn the Socialist conception of the future.

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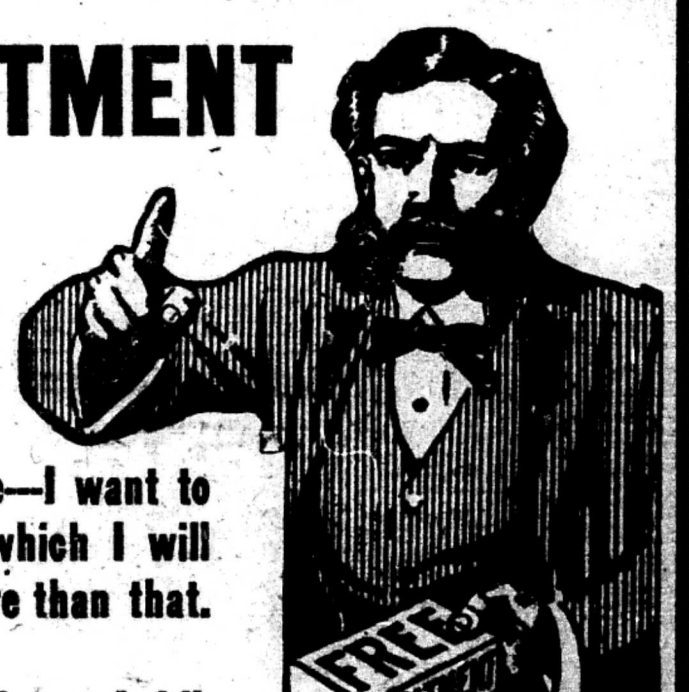
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LOOKING FORWARD

The husband and wife were making a walk on a fine evening. The wife was talking to him.

The "Gentle" Art of Buying Elections

I ask you, kind friends, to read the following statement of expenditures made by the Republican and Democratic national committees in the presidential contests from 1860 to 1904:

Table with columns: Year, Candidates, Republican Nat'l Com., Democratic Nat'l Com.

Millions upon millions are now being spent to control your vote.

Most people give away their votes. They are so anxious to help those who betray them that they march, shout and fight for them.

But a few men don't give away their votes. They sell them.

Did you ever think about that? Did you ever study out why it is that some men in this country are willing to do almost anything to get YOUR vote?

And did you ever think how it is that the man to whom you give your vote is willing to give \$10 to your neighbor to get his vote?

Do you suppose the Republicans and Democrats, who buy votes at \$10 a piece, are buying those votes as they may have the privilege of serving the men who sell those votes?

The dominion of one class is an attempt to degrade humanity.

That do you think it is for the purpose of serving you or of robbing you? If you sell or give away a horse you expect the one that gets the horse to make a profit out of it.

Well, some people give away their votes and their legislatures. Some people sell their votes and their legislatures.

Perhaps you think I am a cynic. Well, you are a group of men come to me and say, "Look here, we want you to work for us, to serve you and fight for you. Now, don't refuse; we'll do it for nothing. All you do is—vote for us. Have a cigar? No? Well, here's some ten-dollar bills. We're giving them away. Take one."

The landed aristocracy changed the Declaration of Independence into a Constitution constructed by themselves according to their economic class interests, and through laws and court decisions ruled the country.

Charges of inefficiency against the commissioner of public works are made by Ald. Olsen, who introduced a resolution directing the commissioner to make a report of the disposition of 25,000 yards of road material purchased this year.

The entire fund for the purchase of road material has been exhausted, yet my ward has received only 450 yards, said Ald. Olsen.

The decision of Judge Turner, reinstating Thomas F. Hayden and William Bannan as city assessors, was reversed Tuesday morning by the supreme court as was expected since the decision in the Neacy suit two weeks ago that the redistricting ordinance was illegal.

Hayden was assessor in the Third ward and Bannan in the Sixteenth at the time the redistricting ordinance became effective. They were discharged by Tax Commissioner Arnold and began making their action before Judge Turner to force the tax commissioner to return them to their jobs.

Start with Sweatshop. "If you 'non-partisan' members of the majority want regulation, why don't you begin with the sweatshops, factories and department stores," said Alderman Aldridge.

Chief of Police John T. Janssen's dance hall ordinance failed to pass Monday afternoon at the common council meeting, the "non-partisan" aldermen passing to engrossment an arbitrary ordinance presented by Alderman Welch.

The Welch ordinance provides that dance halls be licensed by the common council; that all licenses can be revoked by the council for immoral or improper acts; that no dance hall license be renewed for six months after revocation; that any police officer above the rank of patrolman may close a dance for improper or immoral conduct of any person in the hall; that children under 18 years be barred from dance halls after 10 p. m. unless accompanied by parent or guardian.

Alderman Welch accused the "non-partisan" aldermen of playing into the hands of the chief of police.

"In bits of the laws the chief of police had been ordered to enforce the law and in one instance has refused to enforce the law.

When I resided in Los Angeles more than 25 years ago, Sunday was a day for amusements for many people, especially working people and Mexicans, or "Spanish," as they prefer to be called.

The Mexicans often exhibited their skill as horsemen. There are, at each of these resorts, fine, open pavilions furnished with tables, and seats facing the water.

One summer Deacon B. and his wife, strict Presbyterians of a middle state, visited us. One Sunday we prevailed on them to go to the coast and spend the day.

We were late starting and did not reach Santa Monica till about noon, at which time the people were having their luncheon, were dancing and having an all-round good time.

My very pious friends were horrified, but at the time refrained from making criticizing remarks. They sat quietly in the pavilion most of the time we were there, looking gloomy and unhappy.

On our way home and after our arrival they thawed out a bit, and gave me what newspaper reporters call a vigorous "roast."

The limited wages allotted for this narrative forbids the recording of my answer to Deacon B. I will merely say that I asked him why he proved every day "My Thy Kingdom come and Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Favorable Congressional District Vote in 1910

Table with columns: Districts, Rep., Demo., Soc. Vote, Total Percent.

On the grounds that the redistricting ordinance was not valid. On June 29 Judge Turner declared Bannan and Hayden entitled to their offices.

Impeachment proceedings against Dr. F. A. Kraft, health commissioner, in the common council because President Corcoran and several level-headed "non-partisan" aldermen warned the mayor that such action would result in the centering of the condemnation of the entire city on the head of the health commissioner.

"I consider it nonsense," replied Dr. Kraft to questions regarding the impending impeachment proceedings.

During Mayor Bading's campaign addresses last spring he threatened to oust Dr. Kraft at the first opportunity and it was expected he would fire the first gun in his threatened attack on Social-Democrats in the city hall on Monday.

WISCONSIN

SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES

STATE OFFICERS. Governor—Carl D. Thompson. Lieutenant Governor—Henry M. Parks. Secretary of State—Ray Weaver.

CONGRESSMEN. First district—Joseph Orth, Kenosha. Second district—Edward D. Deam, Sheboygan.

MANITOWOC, Wisconsin. The Socialist administration is making good progress in all the departments.

Not For Mooses, But For Justice. Roosevelt blows his trumpet loudly for the New Progressive party.

Neither a city administration nor a state government is capable of reorganizing the important national industries on a basis of collective ownership.

DEBS BREWITIS. The Social-Democratic party asks the workers to think for themselves—and then vote as they think.

We have no more business in the old parties than Morgan has in the Social-Democratic party.

Capitalism has driven 2,000,000 workers into the ranks of labor, and they need the ballot to protect their interests.

Wilson is the kid glove on the paw of the Tammany tiger.

Thousands and thousands of workers have joined the Progressive party because they are disgusted with the rottenness of the old parties, will come into the Social-Democratic party sooner or later.

Washington because the workers in Milwaukee want their own representatives in the halls of congress.

When Roosevelt was in Milwaukee the capitalist press tried to fasten the crime on the Socialists. Why do the same capitalist newspapers never tell the politics of any one unless he happens to be a Socialist?

The exploiters of labor do not see the working class to think for themselves but to vote them.

Theodore Roosevelt will never again warm the executive chair in the national capital.

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died their logic (?) to pieces. His opponents directed their particular political party for the working class to support, but suggested that it be the party that served the workers in the past.

It certainly gladdens the hearts of the old workers in the movement to witness the willing workers among the young generation, and their are not only workers done for have embraced and accepted the principles of Socialism, and was the arena of their political belief. They are fully capable of taking their own part in the argument.

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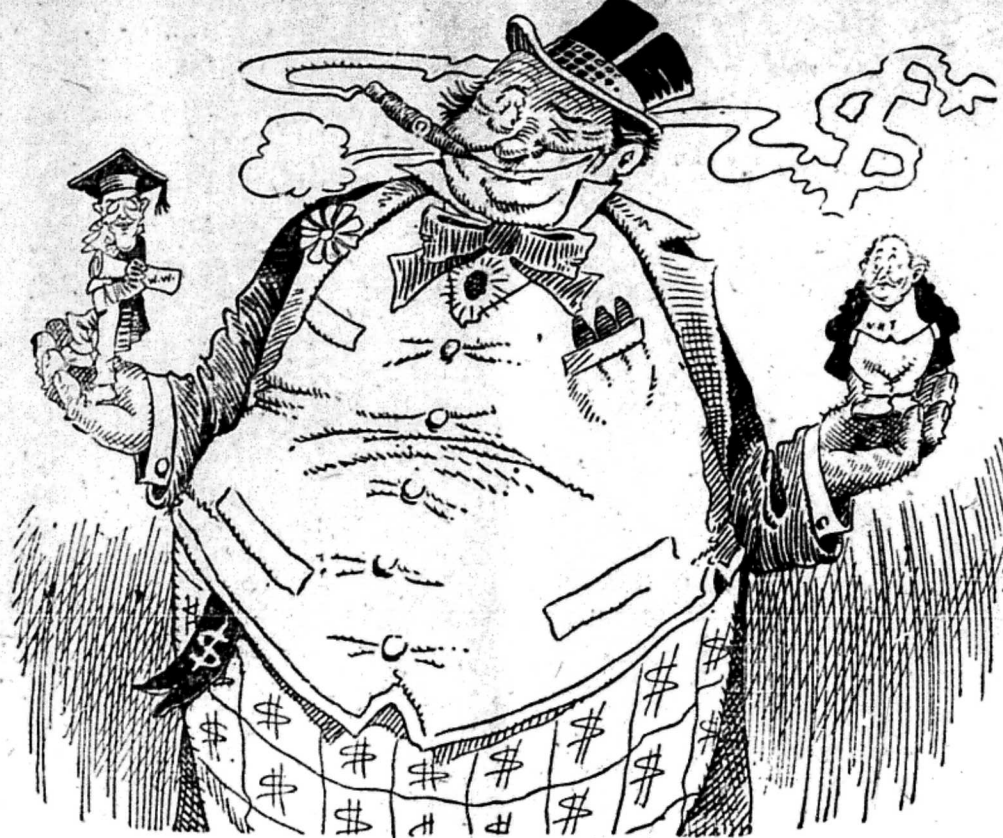
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The Highly Amusing Taft Prosperity Poster

BY OSCAR AMERINGER.

The other day I stood before one of those prosperity posters pasted on the billboards in the interest of Mr. Taft.

I read all about how we are getting rich; how the working people have higher wages than ever; how the mortgages are being paid off and a whole lot more of similar exhilarating news.

I couldn't help but being glad that I lived in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and twelve, and enjoyed the blessings enumerated on the billboard, given to us by Providence and Mr. Taft.

It surely feels good to read that a fellow has got all he wants and then some. Many people would never know that if they didn't see it black on white, with the picture of the man who did it thrown in to prove it.

That's what I said to myself when I read that poster. But now it's all gone (that is feeling, I mean).

I don't brag any more about living in the Twentieth century, in the richest country on earth and under Mr. Taft's administration. I think that most of that progress prosperity talk is bunk and I wish I had lived before America and the Republican party were discovered.

And this is how it happened. I was reading a book written by a German writer by the name of Karl Kautsky. This man went on to say that in the Fifteenth century the bosses fed their hired men more than was good for them and the government had to pass a law to keep the working people from getting fonder.

All this happened in Saxony, which is somewhere in Europe, in 1482. And the name of the man who made that law was Duke Albert. The book says nothing about what his politics were, but he surely was all right on matter what party he belonged to.

Well, that law made by Mr. Duke Albert said: "Any boss or employer of labor will have his ears cut off who feeds his hired hands more than five meals a day." And then he goes

on and says what the meals shall consist of. "Dinner and supper shall not have more than four courses: Soup, two kinds of meat and a vegetable dish. On Friday and other days when meat eating is prohibited, the meal shall not consist of more than soup, fresh and fried fish and two vegetables. On feast days not more than five courses shall be served and these shall consist of soup, two kinds of meat and two vegetables."

Now, that's what I call a good law. It doesn't go around the bush, but goes right at the meat of things. Instead of saying, "We demand a gold standard or the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; or a high protective tariff; or tariff revision, for the benefit of the working people, it gets right down to business and says, you feed your men so much soup, fish, meat and vegetables, or get your ears cut off."

If we had that kind of a law nowadays, we wouldn't worry about the high cost of living, especially not since the boss would have to foot the bill. If Mr. Taft wants to do something for the working people, let him make the same law. A bill that says: "Mr. Boss you feed your hands one bowl of noodle soup, one chunk of roast beef, one hunk of pork and a few vegetables twice a day with three other meals thrown in for good measure, or you and the Super, and the board of directors have your ears lopped off," that's the kind of law we're after. If Mr. Taft will put such a law in his platform, along with the bill of fare, the number of meals, their recurrence and the intervals between them, then make affidavit that he'll live up to that platform and get Mr. Rockefeller or some other responsible person to go his security, then he can have my vote.

No more roundabout prosperity for me. If Mr. Taft will not come out for direct prosperity, the kind that leaves a warm feeling in the stomach, then I'll vote for Duke Albert, even if I have to write his name in the ballot. And if Albert is dead or don't live any more, then I'll do the next best thing and vote for Debs.

Mediaeval Proclamation

One can understand something of the spirit in which the mountain, Montenegro have taken up arms from the text of the curious proclamation of the king of Montenegro, which is given in The Daily Mail of London of the eleventh inst.

Patriotism, religion, a touch of superstition, the eagerness of an old warrior, and something of the fancy of the poet mingle in this document which reads more like the sixteenth century than the twentieth:

My hopes of finding a method by which old Serbians might be able without bloodshed to liberate themselves from their sufferings have not met with success. That is why, although it weighs heavily on my heart to break the peace of Europe, there remains to me no other course than to handle the sword—that sword

which, assuredly not without honor, Montenegros have followed courageously to Nikshitch, Antivari and Dulcigno. Montenegros, ours is the cause of justice. Alia jacta est, the die is cast, and God and Serbia in good fortune will help us to extend that the fortune to our brothers in misery. By the blessing of God, of St. Peter of Montenegro, and of all the saints, may the dreams of my first youth, when in poems I foretold this memorable day, be realized and kindle the hearts of my people with faith to march beyond the limits of this Montenegro! Long live Montenegro! Long live the Balkan Alliance!—New York Times.

What makes life dreary is want of motive.—George Eliot.

Bob, the Dog Track Walker

When I resided in Tacoma, Wash., a few years ago a man lived at 2801 South I Street who was employed as a track walker by the Northern Pacific railroad. He owned a dog named Bob. The animal always went with his master over that portion of the roadway that Mr. G. had charge of. One day Bob's master was run over in the yards by a switch engine and killed. The dog manifested keen grief, and soon after the funeral he started out at 7:30 in the morning and went over the route he had so often gone with his master and returned at 4 p. m. He kept up that practice daily for several months and was attending strictly to the job at the time my informant mentioned his strange conduct.

There is a shanty at the end of the section where Mr. G. ate his lunch and rested an hour. Bob always lies down there from 12 noon to 1 p. m. and guards the house. He growls and viciously shows his teeth if any one tries to enter the empty shanty. No amount of coaxing or force can induce Bob to give up his job. He is a plain brown, shaggy fellow—just a common dog—but has become a great favorite with the railroad employes who know him.

My informant is quite firm in the belief that the dog does not do all this from mere habit, but that he uses reasoning power and thinks he is performing a useful service in the absence of his dead master.

—R. A. DAGUE.

Puzzles ENIGMA

I am a word composed of ten letters. Letters 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 spell a religious term. Letters 9, 2, 10, 6, 3, 8 spell an ancient monster. Letters 4, 5, 2, 9, 3, 8 spell executive mercy. Letters 3, 2, 6, 7, 8 spell a musical instrument.

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Last Word by Emil Seidel

It is now only a matter of a few remaining hours during which the voter has an opportunity to finally make up his mind how he will cast his vote on next Tuesday.

That the stock and bond holders, the captains of commerce and industry, the bankers, promoters and speculators have, for themselves, decided whom and what they will vote for, we cannot doubt.

The pirates of industry are not so naive and simple as to leave anything to chance. Long before the voters are given an opportunity to fight over one or another of the candidates, has the question of reliability in emergency of these candidates been answered in the affirmative.

Big Interests Satisfied. Every voter should understand that big business is not one bit flustered over the outcome of the present election. Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt are equally satisfactory to the railroads, the monopolies, the trusts and all other business in general.

Every voter that believes in the private ownership of the railroads, the monopolies, the trusts and all other business; every voter that believes in exploitation, will vote for either Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt. Either of these is equally safe.

Every voter that hates unions and organized labor, the "closed" shop, the short workday, the union scale, in short, every attempt of labor at independence and freedom, will vote for either Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt. Either of these is equally safe.

Every voter believing in the "open shop," the importation of strikebreakers, the injunction, contempt of court, and jail sentences for all attempts at industrial freedom, will vote for Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt. Either of these is equally safe.

The fight between Taft, Wilson or Roosevelt is sincere only in so far as each of these men want to be president. It is merely a sham battle in so far as the trusts, monopolies and big business are concerned.

When the press gives pages upon pages of space to Republicans, Democrats and Progressives alike, making it appear that a real fight for principle is on when, at the same time, this same press ignores the Socialist campaign—that is only part of the game to fool the people.

There will never be a real campaign until all Republicans, Democrats and Progressives are driven together into one camp, and all Socialists and all organized labor is from the other camp.

To put this alignment off as far as possible is the game of big business, and Mr. Taft is playing this game; Mr. Wilson is playing the game; Mr. Roosevelt is past master at it, and plays it to perfection. The present standstill as well as progressive, is playing this same game. All the political crooks understand each other well.

Are All Gamblers. As the card sharper leads a victim to believe that he can win by playing the game, so the political sharper has always led the worker to believe that he can win by playing the political game. The shrewdest of all politicians is the Progressive.

Before the voters who earn their living by the sweat of their brow go to the polls they should ask a few questions of all the candidates. Here are some of the questions that we desire answered by Taft, Wilson, Chafin, Debs and Roosevelt.

When elected president what will you do when the workers go on strike?

What will you do when the strikers picket a shop to keep strike breakers out?

What will you do when the masters employ Pinkerton detectives?

What will you do when the court issues injunctions?

What will you do when the workers boycott the product of an unfair manufacturer?

Will you use the army and the militia to help the strikers or the scabs and the boss?

Will you let the judge and the court help the masters?

Will They Help Humanity? Will you help to organize the workers to fight their battles?

What will you do to a corporation that locks out its workers?

What will you do to a corporation that cuts their wages?

Will you help break a strike and then prattle the same old "bull con" about equal rights to all?

Will you do out the same trash about enforcing the law and then interpret the law to mean protection to the boss and jail to the strikers?

What will you do? Answer without any "ifs," "buts," or "ands"—what will you do?

William Howard Taft! What will you do? Woodrow Wilson! What will you do? Eugene W. Chafin! What will you do? Theodore Roosevelt! What will you do? We shall vote the Socialist ticket from top to bottom.

The Builders' Column. By A. W. Mance.

JUST BEFORE THE BATTLE. By the time this issue of the Herald reaches you, the result of the election of 1912 will be known and the Socialist National Campaign of education of 1916 started.

A LOOK BACK. When we look back four years and consider the progress made in that time it fills us with hope for the future.

Here in Milwaukee, during that time we have seen the old parties practically wiped out of existence and all of the old politicians forged over into a "NON-PARTISAN" party with only one plank in their platform which reads "anything to beat the Socialists."

As the fifth of November dawns, we face the balloting with perfect confidence that Milwaukee's star will still be in the ascendancy as a guide to the other American communities as it has been in the past.

A LOOK FORWARD. But whatever the result of the voting Tuesday, the duty of every reader of the Herald will be plain. We must push forward with hope and patience in the same splendid spirit that the old timers in the movement have done in the past.

PUSH THE HERALD CIRCULATION. If the results of the election in Milwaukee turn out as we expect they will at this writing, every present Herald reader should take advantage of the interest aroused to get a good list of new readers. If we win, the task of getting new readers will be an easy one. STRIKE THE IRON WHILE IT IS HOT.

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