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### Sar Socialism Is. & Socialist Economics Stated In Paragraphs.

Under Socialism there will be collective ownership of capital, but private owner-

ship of wealth.

Capital is surplus value extracted from labor, and used to create more capital.

To illustrate: A railway system is capital. So also is a mine, or a factory, while . . . . . .

These vast utilities produce things which all the people use. The private ownership of them constitutes capitalists.

The ownership of them by the capitalists affords a means whereby all of the people may be exploited, by a few of the people.

The working class is compelled to sell its labor power to the capitalist class on just the conditions which the masters prescribe.

By this means the capitalist class robs the working class, both in the process of production and consumption.

Socialism proposes that the working class in its collective capacity shall own and operate the means of production and distribution now held by the capitalist class.

The working class can free itself from industrial slavery in no other way. Therefore, Socialism is necessary to liberty.

Now, wealth is surplus value used for private enjoyment, such as houses, furniture, clothing, vehicles, etc.

These things should be owned by the individual who uses them.

At the present time more than half the people live in houses owned by the capitalist class. Under Socialism, the house which a man uses will belong to him so long as he cares to occupy it.

Socialism does NOT propose that wealth shall be owned collectively, but on the contrary, that it shall be owned privately.

It therefore follows that under Socialism 90% of the people will own more private wealth than they do now.

By owning capital, or the means of production and distribution collectively, every worker will receive the full product of his or her labor.

As only capital will produce wealth, and that in turn only when labor is applied, it follows that ALL who are able will have to work.

But when private profit is stricken out, and industry thoroughly organized, a small mount of labor will produce a great amount of wealth.

It is altogether probable that you have had a very hazy idea of Socialism, for if you understood it you would work for it.

Suppose you put your brain to work, and commence to think. The man who thinks is the man who rules.

If you think what the capitalist class teach you, you think the thoughts that will enslave you.

Cultivate your own thought and be your own master. Stop electing the ruling class to office on the theory that they can represent YOU.

No man can represent other than himself. Under Socialism every man and woman will have an equal voice in public affairs through direct legislation.

Each department of industry will conduct its affairs by those who work in that

Mining will be conducted by miners, railroads by railroaders, farming by farm-

The system will run without friction, and by systematic organization. Now, things run without system, and result in panies and gluts.

The organization of trusts is a result of the desire of capitalists to bring order out of chaos, to systematize production and distribution.

The politician who talks about destroying trusts in any other way than by the collective ownership of capital, is either very dishonest or very ignorant. Probably

Read what J. Pierpont Morgan said in an interview published in the Boston Post: I, and men like me are inevitable organizers of the work of the world. Our proceedings may not be pleasant, but they are necessary. We are doing what must be done, and it is eventually for the interests of all the people. When the time comes that the people resolve to take their own, they will find the systematization ready for them. You may call us Socialists, for that is the ultimate of what we are doingthe taking over by the people of the material of their life. . . . .

However, don't expect capitalists to make laws that will free you from the task THEY have set for you to do.

Capitalists compel you, farmers and wage-earners, to give up the bulk of all you produce to them, and they will so continue so long as you consent.

Establish Socialism, and the capitalist class will have to labor the same as you. . . . . .

Don't believe them when they tell you that Socialism has been tried many times and proven a failure.

Socialism has never been tried. The science of Socialism was not promulgated until competition and capitalism set men's brains to work to invent a system that would prevent the destruction of liberty and freedom.

Communism was practiced by the first Christians, and successfully continued until overturned by the Roman state.

Communism is as impractical today as Socialism would have been then.

Don't form your ideas of economics from the columns of the capitalistic press, that is paid to misrepresent, or from the small party paper that lives from being "orthoder." Study the writings of Socialist economists, whose analysis of economics

Don't be a nonentity; be a man.

The world has a few who are cunning and a multitude who are fools. The fools do all the work, and the cunning work all the fools.

The hand that crushed liberty in the Philippines, is just as surely crushing it here. If you have any tears, shed them for your own stupidity.

The farmer dresses his daughter in cheap fabrics, in order to bedeck the capitalist's daughter in diamonds. The one scrubs and the other marries a "dook."

If we don't tolerate each other's epinions, comrades, we will surely be compelled to tolerate the capitalist class. Not one of us has a monopoly of the world's wisdom.

The workingman's son curries the horses, and the rich man's son rides. When the poor boy gets a whack at the ballot, he "won't do a thing" to the perfume-scented dandy.

When Rockefeller does something as a thank-offering to God for the bestowal of riches. I always make an uneasy movement toward the erosene can. It means an increase in the price

While you on the farm have made a few dol-lars during the reign of high prices, the cap-italist class has made billions. When the prices of your products go down, those of the capitalist class will not.

We are in receipt of Comrade W. G. Critchlow's report, as secretary of the Ohlo Socialist state committee. The document is splendidly cotten up and complete in every detail. The officiency of their executives.

There are a lot of prosperity howlers who are feeding cattle. When the returns are in from the stockyards they will not look so pleasant as the results in November. You elected the capitalist class to power, and although I one of the victims, I can forget my own troubles in the wholesome lesson you are learning.

Don't follow leaders; they are but human and prone to error, and are subject to corrupt-ing influence. The Populist or Socialist who blindly follows leaders is as much of an ass as the republican who thinks that Roosevelt is the condensation of wisdom, or the democrat who thinks that virtue has been incarnated in Bryan.

How pleasant it is to be able to make some one do all the serving work of the world, while you have nothing to do but hunt for amuse-ment. How sad it is that the working class is so senseless as to stagger along under the load which capitalism has strapped on its back, when Socialism would take the load off and make the capitalist help carry it.

An intoxicated man can never see anything sobering up period brings sad reflections of his assaninity. The farmers have been intoxicated by land speculation, and have extravagant visions of perpetual greatness. The reaction will fill them with a desire to be taken out behind the barn and have a vigorous toe applied.

What pleasure a farmer must take in toiling all day in the hot sun producing raw material which the capitalist class, through another band which the capitalist class, through another band of serfs called wage-carners, work into the finished product, and then sell at an enormous profit. For every drop of sweat there is a cool shade, a dinner party, a monkey banquet, a junketing trip through Europe, a titled wedding, or some other demoralizing event for the idle posterity of the capitalist class. idle posterity of the capitalist class.

dom" gave the conduct of the anthracite coa dom gave the conduct of the anthractic coammines, Geo. F. Baer, has also been presented with two grandsons. Promptly on their receipt, he gave them \$50,000 each. These children are born in a palace and become MASTERS FROM THE HOUR OF THEIR BIRTH. Off in a dismal shack two miners' children are born, with nothing but squalor and poverty to greet them. THEY ARE SLAVES FROM THE HOUR OF THEIR BIRTH. What do you think will happen some day if these things continue?

A comrade in New York, who never signs his name, sends us each week a package of Wall street literature. Some of the circulars are confidential, that is, designed for very limited circulation. They furnish us with a very valuable forecast of comping events. One thing learning the days of high prices for agricultural products are at an end. The Lord has permitted the rain to fall in the other portions of the globe, and while the exports will be large, a lower range of prices are necessary to move the crop across the water. The farmer might as well cool off and get down to hard-pan again.

Col J. H. Brigham, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, has been investigating the price of meat compared with the price of live stock, and has come to the conclusion that the capitalists meat compared with the price of live stock, and has come to the conclusion that the capitalists who are engaged in the packing industry are coining enormous profits from the people. Now the enlightened portion of the country has known this all the time, but it is an astounding thing that a government official should discover anything wrong with the economic situation. When asked for a remedy for the condition, the Colonel said that the people must form a co-operative association for the purpose of getting the meat directly from producer to eonsumer, build new packing houses, etc. Now Colonel, you are right on the first proposition, but away off on the second. Why should we build new packing establishments, when we have good ones at Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, etc.? Were not these packing establishments constructed by labor, which in turn was paid for out of the expropriated surplus value taken from other laborer's toil through profit? By every process of logical reasoning, therefore, except that fossilized process called the legal, they belong to the real creators—the people taking possession of these packing establishments the people taking possession of these packing estab-The law is the only barrier that prevents the people taking possession of these packing estab-lishments and operating them for the good of lishments and operating them for the good of the hungry multitude. But are not the people sovereign, are they not the possible law-makers under our system? Elect the Socialist party to power, and we will greatly simplify the law of the land, and demonstrate that it is possible to construct laws that will operate in the interest of humanity instead of a few feudal lords now called capitalists. No, we won't build more packing houses unless those we now have are not sufficient to supply our need, but we will give the present managers a job at a good living wage, to operate the industry in the public service. If they don't want to do this, they can take their cash and go to Turkey and buy a harem, but they can't take the sacking houses and machinery with them, for we NEED

#### BULLETIN ON CROPS.

Final returns to the statistician of the department of agriculture for 1902 shows the following: Total acreage for all principal farm products, 221,000,000. & Total value of same, \$2,451,000,000. In round numbers there are living in the country 32,000,000 of people. Dividing the total value by the number of people we find that it gives the average sum of \$80 per capita, or 5400 to each family of five. This is a little more than the wages paid to the Pennsylvania coal miners, but do you think it is sufficient to have caused all the howls of prosperity of the farmers, that have split the ears of any one who has been presumptious enough to remark that conditions are not what they should be in this country? How does this compare with the dividends of the capitalist class. It looks like somebody had been hypnotized, and playing the monkey while under the spell.

### BRYAN'S DEFECTION.

I had an idea t'other mornin'. Mister Bry an's been away from home lately and he's been a-talkin' about silver ag'in. Wist he'd talk about mink-skins or suthin' important. Well, was a-thinkin' what'd happen if Bryan should jine the Socialists! Gee! I was overcome for an instant and had to seddown. It opened up sech a vister of glories. My hed went a-cavor-tin' imaginations ontil I that sure she'd bust. Think on't; the silver tongued orator of the Platt jumpin' on 16 to 1 and all satan's other devices and a confessin' his sins more regular than a Methodist deakin! Gosh! 'Magine than a Methodist deakin! Gosh! 'Magine them arch-enemies—cf. ch other's ware-work-ers—the Republikans and the gold Demigods havin' a love-feast, an' sayin' they knowed where he'd fetch up. Say, they'd have to start nother of them economic leagues to diskuss the municipalization of the post offis and how fur the wage-worker kin be trusted with his duck. A-up, they would. Consider William pullin' up his traps and takin' the Commonor over to Wayland's an' sayin': "Here, J. A., I ain't a jay enny more. You jist mix this plant in with yourn, an' we'll feed them farmers the pure milk of Socialism. They're all ready for milk. You bet, I found that out. Your million circulation you're a-yearnin' fer wil look like a small hen-house when we git a-goin'." That's all. I jist wanted to open 'er up; there's so menny possibilities. You kin dig out the rest of 'em.

I don't s'pose he'll do it; course not. But i ne wants to git ennywhere, he'd better. He couldn't ware dimons, or be iT, cause we're iT, but he could git to Washington, sure. It's the only way fur a Demmycrat to git thare. Their road's all mud.

ABRAM RHUBARB.

#### CANNOT PRINT LETTERS.

As this paper goes to press, we realize that circumstances have altered many of our orig-inal plans. We had intended to give a page to short letters from former Populists, who have identified themselves with the Socialist party for the purpose of showing that the tendency of all the old Populists is toward Socialism. Al-though thoroughly cognizant of this existing condition, and fully alive to the advantage to our movement resulting therefrom, yet we were not prepared for the bombardment that com-menced on this office about ten days ago, and that has only increased with each succeeding mail. Letters from former congressmen, mem-bers of state legislatures, Alliance organizers. pelibinders, and what suits us best of all, from the "boys in the trenches," have piled upon our desk until we cannot even read them hefore

going to press.

Much of this change of sentiment has come since election, as the following introduction to a long article from Comrade W. D. Street, of Oberlin, Kan., who was speaker of the house of representatives in 1897, would indicate. He says

With the opening of the new year, and at a time of new resolutions, I have decided to cast my lot, vote and influence, with the cause of cialism."

We cannot print your letters, comrades, for they would fill a Sunday edition of the big daily papers, but we extend to you the right hand of fellowship and bid you welcome to com-radeship in our ranks. Get on your old "war paint," and rise again with the spirit of '92, The city is with you this time, and there be no more compromising or surrender. There is no "half loaf" business about Socialism, and there never will be. We have presented Socialism to you in this issue in a way that you may not misunderstand our demands. There is may not misuncerstand our demands. Interest on o sugar coating to the pill we have prepared for the capitalist system. If you believe in Socialism, and are ready to work for it uncompromisingly—come with us. If not, wait until your mind is made up. Let us be either for or against the capitalist system. There is no mid-

Secretary of the Treasury Shaw has submitted his estimates to congress for expenses for the coming year. Some of it is amusing, for instance: The Interior department needs \$163.-000,000, and the Department of Agriculture \$5,000,000, and of Labor, \$184,000. Justice is expensive, but labor is cheap. The whole report calls for nearly \$600,000,000, of which labor is to get one-third of 1%. The government expenses will dig out of the people about \$40 to each head of a family. If the Americans had to pay these taxes it would be a heavy burden, but wise republican legislation has succeeded in shifting it to the shoulders of foreigners.

#### FUNDS FOR POPULIST EDITION.

Names are arriving for the Populist edition on every mail. Those sent by private individuals are accompanied by funds, but those sent by Populist editors and state committees are not. We cannot expect the Populist editors and committees to pay for mailing the papers. We must do that ourselves. Comrades, don't overlook the importance of this issue. Send in

overlook the importance of this issue. Send in your contribution at once.

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Not many months ago while traveling toward Chicago, and sitting in the smoking parlor of a fast train, I formed one of those companionships which so frequently occur to those of culture, who travel. There is a sense of lone-liness, while whirling over the rails that invites company. The gentleman, whose acquaintance I made, was both a student and a scholar. Our conversation soon turned to eco-nomic questions, and led to mutual explana-tions. I was enroute to attend a Socialist convention, and he was returning to New York after a business trip west. He was a Wall street speculator, and a man of great wealth. A remarkable conversation followed. I found him thoroughly conversant with the philosophy of Socialism. "It is," he said, "a common custom among men of my class to discuss Socialist commong men of my class to discuss Socialist economics, never, however, in the hearing of the clerks or employes. The men now at the head of economic affairs are thoroughly cognizant of the inevitable trend toward Socialism, and realize that the trusts are but doing the preliminary work of organization, that will eventually lead to collective twicting by all the people, of the industries the trusts are now organizing."

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I asked: "Since you are so clear in your analysis, why do you not openly espouse Social-

"That is not our work," he replied, "but the task set for the working class. If they wait for us to establish Socialism, it will never come, for we have plenty, and so long as we can live from the toil of others, you may depend upon it that we will continue to do so. I believe, however, that it is inevitable that the work-ing class will unite their strength and cap-ture the political powers, and then the estab-lishment of Socialism will be inevitable."

The conversation then turned to the impend-

ing panic, and to my request for information concerning coming events, this was his reply: "Experienced Wall street men realize that it cannot long be delayed, and the wise ones are preparing for it by slowly selling their stocks. I am putting all my stocks on the market, and buying bonds or converting them into cash. When the crash comes, I shall go to Italy, and

spend my days at the watering places and in the art galleries, where I shall not see the suf-

fering of my countrymen."

This is a true report of the essentials of the conversation. We separated, and I shall probably never see the man again, but I will never forget his words. His analysis was cold and cruel, and gives the key to the mental attitude which one must cultivate in order to become rich. Business is business. It is devoid of any sentiment whatever. It must coin profits, though millions starve. It ceases to be business when it departs from this iron-clad rule. What a lesson this should be to the working classes. Oh, what a set of asses you are! How blind to your own interest! You freeze, when you might be comfortable! You starve, when you might have plenty! Every year you take a power that is so mighty that it could sweep the whole capitalist system from the face of the earth, and in its place, create an Eden of plenty, and freely give it to your industrial masters. This power is the ballot. Workingmen, until you learn to use this power, you must be slaves, and drag down to slavery your innocent wives and babies. Unite at the ballot box JUST ONCE, and your freedom is won. Kindle the fire with your democratic and re-publican newspapers, and kindle thought in your brains by studying Socialism. An old party politician is the most vicious "scab" that ever polluted the earth with his presence. Avoid him as you would a serpent. Make him a thing despised and abhorred of all men. Be

a mere tool, expressing ignorance and cow-TEXAS COMRADES, ATTENTION!

your own master, think your own-thoughts;

a man, with manhood and courage, instead of

Texas comrades must not forget that those who would vote at the next state election must pay the poll tax of \$1.50 by February 1, of the present year. A Texas comrade has written us concerning the matter, and we deem it of sufficient importance to publish thus prominently. The condition is similar in other southnently. The condition is similar in other southern states, where a man must pay to exercise the right of suffrage. Texas is the good democratic state that is agonized over the trusts. The democrats do not hesitate to get into the trust business, however, when they want to rob the poor man of his vote. The populists had rolled up a vote of 175,000 in Texas, when the disgraceful sell-out came in 1896. It will take about two years to get this vote into the So-cialist contents, with enough more to paralyze the feudal democracy of the South.

Congressman Jenkins, of Wisconsin, presented a bill to the house on the 15th, providing for the immediate seizure of the coal mines and railroads. It produced consternation for a few moments, because it was believed that it came from the Rough Rider. When this was denied, the bill was soon safely hunted in

### The Farmer's Struggle For Liberty

By ERNEST UNTERMANN.

HE farmers have been the most revolutionary class in American society. They are more frankly revolutionary today than any other exploited class. "What is that?" I hear a host of critics exclaim. "Why, there isn't a more conservative-

Hold your breath just one minute, friends. The farmer, to whom I refer in this article, is not the prosperous and well-fed owner of large and rich estates. That class of farmers is indeed conservative, and little inclined to read a Socialist paper. I am not addressing my remarks to him. I know that what I will say here will not appeal to him as a class, tho it may appeal to single individuals who are altruistically in-

The farmer whose struggles I will outline in this article, and to whom this article appeals, belongs to that great class of pioneers who have formed the bulk of the farming population of this country. The men who have never wrested more than a bare living from the soil, and who are today facing the struggle for existence on mortgaged farms, or barely keeping out of debt, or trading on the prospects of the coming year's crop, or living as tenants on some other man's land, or drudging their lives away as

These are the men for whom this article is written, and who will understand and accept it, because their material interests make them the natural allies of the exploit-

The first colonies had hardly bees established on American soil, when the farmer's battle for independence began. Fleeing from the oppression of the ruling classes in Europe, the small farmer soon found that even the most democratic American community still had transplanted to the new world the social antagonisms of the old. The New England town meeting, so falsely described as the example of purest democracy. turned out to be a theocracy of property owners, who treated him as coldly as the more frankly aristocratic feudal lords of the southern colonies.

And so he turned his back on the tory element, on taxation, on the debtor's jail, and engaged in the open fight against the wilderness, the roving Indians, and the invading armies of the French and Spanish colonies.

But he was not left free to enjoy the fruits of his victories over these open enemies and the forces of nature. The growing class of American capitalists in the coast towns soon found that they needed the sturdy pioneers to free American soil from English taxation, and they were not long in working upon his emotions and stirring his strong love of independence against the encroachments of the British crown.

The first shots fired at Lexington and Bunkerhill came from the rifles of the pioneer farmers. And to their silent influence is due whatever is worth admiring in the Declaration of Independence, and democratic in the National Constitution.

But little reward did they reap for fighting the battles of the American capitalists. Even while the fight against England was raging, were the capitalists engaged in plans to forge new shackles for the independent farmer. The men who had left their little farms, who sacrificed health, life and families to their ideal of American liberty, were left destitute and without assistance from those whose pockets were overflowing. The nearer the American army came to the victorious end, the more pronounced became the alarm of the capitalists in the newly constituted federal convention, lest the independent fighters might secure too much independence for themselves.

During the most critical stage of the war, when hope seemed almost lost, there had never been the slightest infimation that the articles of confederation, agreed to shortly after the first blows had been struck, were not sufficient to safeguard the interests of the various states. But when Yorktown had passed into history, and the capitalists found themselves face to face with their own armed men, then it was suddenly found that a loose federation of sovereign states did not meet the requirements of the situation. A strong central power was now needed. That was only another way of saying that only a federal and centralized government could withstand the pressure from below. And that pressure came from the pioneer farmers, who were left face to face with destitution after the war.

The heroes of Lexington, Bunker Hill and Valley Forge quickly found themselves charged with being "banditti," and an "insolent and licentious soldiery," when they dared to circulate ananymous letters demanding their pay, and to march against the Federal Congress to interrupt the proceedings of that "august" body.

It now became plain why it took a three days' debate to adopt the Declaration of Independence. It was made very clear to the former heroes that a central power was needed to keep them in check. And it was not very long before the pioneers of the most "democratic" state, Massachusetts, resented this taxation without representation by Shay's Rebellion. The election of pioneers to Congress would have been a more efficient method, but did what a pioneer know about law-making? The pioneers had to knuckle under. A little later, the Pennsylvania pioneers received a taste of the same central "equality" in the Whiskey Rebellion. Then followed the alien and sedition laws, that sang quite a different song than the Declaration of Independence. To criticise the government of, for and by the people, became a criminal offense, punishable by imprisonment or fine.

as the first practical application of "equality" which the pioneer farmer received at the hands of the class whose chestnuts he had pulled out of the fire. The men who could spare the money made the laws, and the poor fighter for liberty had to atone for his "free speech" by a term in jail.

The farmer was next persuaded that it was to his interest to take sides in the squabbles of the federalists and anti-federalists. He did so. And yet the essays in the "Federalist" declared almost in so many words, that this issue was principally one of "slaves or no slaves," and had to be fought out years after just on that one question. Yet he could have looked to his own interests by a cheaper and easier way than fighting the battles of the capitalist.

All this made the Declaration of Independence look like three lead dimes. It wrote the dollar mark in life size on the walls of Congress, and proclaimed in trumpet tones the bare truth that the American Revolution had freed the capitalists, but not the farmers and wage-workers.

The further development of industrialism brought the issue between the northern capitalist and the southern feudal lord prominently into the foreground. The issue, "slaves or no slaves," had now been changed to read, "wage-slaves or chattel-slaves." Would the pioneer farmer have taken such a patriotic interest in the proceedings, had the issue been presented to him in this light?

He had been fleeing farther and farther west in the meantime, pressed by the very capitalism that now clamored for the right of the "free" wage-slave to labor. And while he continued to push the American frontier toward the Pacific Ocean in the teeth of the Indian freeman who preferred death to slavery, the specter of capitalism followed him faster and faster with steam locomotive on iron rails.

The last blows of his axe had hardly echoed through the backwoods, when he was again urged to cease fighting the Indians long enough to strengthen his mortal enemy, the capitalist, still more by crushing the southern feudalism. Again he believed that "American liberty" was endangered. Again he left house and home to sacrifice himself on the altar of Moloch. Again his reward was the same.

When the battle between King Cotton and King Cotton Goods had been decided in favor of the latter, the farmer returned to his old fight with the wilderness and the Iudian. The Democratic-Republican party, now the Republican, thanked him generously by bestowing the Kingdoms, which he had conquered by his indomitable plack, on the ratiroad companies. Once more the squatter met the fate of his Massachusetts and Pennsylvania friends of a generation ago. The question of "Squatter freedom vs. Reilroad freedom," was speedily settled by the courts of the capitalists. The ploneer went farther west, for the last time

pression. He now began to make plans for escaping the hands of the speculators by economic means. Perhaps he had learned a little from the industrial wage-workers that were just then beginning to organize economically against the exploiting classes. And so the Grange and the Farmers' Alliance arose.

But the "crime of '73," demonetization of silver, and the panic of that year, accomplished their purpose of crushing the middlemen much better than their granges and alliances could have done, and the end of the granges found the farmers as helpless as ever, while it had served to make the very men millionaires who had persecuted them from ocean to ocean.

No better did they fare in their political movements against the railroads.

After the greenback movement had run its course, they tried their fortunes with the single tax. In vain. Both of these movements never reached the stage of national prominence. The capitalists took little or no notice of them. They knew better. They saw even then, that the farmer could never accomplish anything by himself, and so they studiously sought to prejudice him against his natural ally who had grown up in the meantime, the city wage-worker.

The game of "dividing up" was played more cunningly than ever by the capitalists. It had now become a question of dividing the wage-worker against the farmer, of dividing the farmers against themselves, and of dividing the organized wage-worker against the unorganized wage-worker. Men so unschooled in politics as the farmers, easily lost in this rogue's play.

Then came the "silver-tongued" people's champion from Nebraska, and sang his siren song of free silver, into the ears of the struggling farmers. Again they listened to the alluring strain. What was more welcome than cheap money to pay off the mortgages contracted when money was high?

But whether money was cheap or high, the capitalist always managed to get the bulk of it. And the Democratic politicians winked knowingly when the Populists arose and made another stand against capitalism. Marshalled as a class party, and standing on a platform so akin to that of the Socialists that it declared the right of the producer to the wealth he created, they still ignored the truth that they could only succeed on a platform which declared war on capitalism. And so they became an easy prey to the Democratic wire-pullers who again lured the leaders of the farmers into the capitalist camp and knifed the Populist party.

The farmers are now groaning worse than ever under the yoke of capitalism. Driven from sea to sea, fighting the wilderness, the Indians, the capitalists and their politicians, the farmers are now learning the last chapters of the lesson that will make them free. There is no more escape from economic oppression by any economic means. The capitalists have control of the essential means of production, of land, machinery, water, and of the essential means of distribution, money and railroads. Nothing is left for the farmer but political action.

THE LESSON IS ALMOST LEARNED. THE FARMER HAS LEARNED IN MANY RESPECTS EVEN BETTER THAN THE CITY WAGE-WORKER. THE FARMER HAS NO MORE USE FOR FUSION OR COMPROMISE. THE "IMME-DIATE DEMANDS" HAVE NO CHARM FOR HIM. HE UNDERSTANDS THAT HE MUST FACE CAPITALISM AND ABOLISH IT ROOT AND BRANCH.

BUT HE DOES NOT YET UNDERSTAND THAT THE CITY WAGE-WORKER IS IN THE SAME BOAT WITH HIM, AND MUST SINK OR SWIM AS HE DOES. STILL, THAT IS THE ACTUAL SITUATION. THE FARMER AND THE WAGE-WORKER MUST UNITE IN THE SOCIALIST PARTY, AND BOTH MUST FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE CAP-ITALIST-SYSTEM.

THAT IS THE ONLY LOGICAL, AND, LET ME ADD, THE ONLY SAFE, STEP FROM POPULISM IN THE DIRECTION OF FURTHER PROGRESS.

IT IS LOGICAL, BECAUSE THE SOCIALIST PARTY IS STANDING ON A PLATFORM DEMANDING WHAT THE FARMER WANTS AND NEEDS. IT IS SAFE, BECAUSE THE SOCIALIST PARTY CANNOT SELL OUT TO ANY CAPITALIST PARTY, FOR THE SIMPLE REASON THAT IT HAS NO GOODS

THE FARMER, TOGETHER WITH ORGANIZED AND UNORGANIZED LABOR, HAS THE POWER TO END HIS STRUGGLES AND THOSE OF HIS EXPLOITED BROTHERS IN SHOP AND FACTORY. HE CAN AND WILL END THEM FOREVER BY VOTING FOR SOCIALISM.

#### Kansas Under Socialism.

Editor Appeal to Reason.
What would the Socialists do if they carried cansas?
That would depend on the time and the circumstances of the Socialist victory. As long as the majority of the other states were still under the control of the capitalists, and congress had a capitalist majority, and the suppressible acceptable suppression. port of a capitalist supreme court, the Social-st majority of Kansas could not inaugurate the co-operative commonwealth, because they would not be permitted to do anything which would endanger the life of capitalism. But if, what is more likely, the majority of the other tates were also Socialist by the time Kansas had a Socialist majority, then they could take measures to transform the capitalist state into Socialist administration.

How would they accomplish this? Well, take the present population, industries, and agriculture for an illustration. The total population of Kansas, according to the less census, is 1,470,495. Of these, 8.872 were proprietors or members in 7,820 industrial and many eters or members in 7.830 industrial and manuracturing firms worth a total of \$66.827.362 and producing \$172.729.338 worth of goods. This small number of capitalist exploiters forced the great majority of Kansas men and women to produce profits for them or starve. They employed in their service 3,860 salaried clerks and officials and paid them \$3,255,086. They worked 31,171 men 16 years of age and over 3,162 women 16 years of age and over, and 86 children under 16 years of age, and paid them a total of \$16,317,689. Look at these figures a little closer and realize what they mean. It means that 8.872 men or women forced 39,053 men, women and children to produce \$172,729,-

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I noticed an advertisement of Grape-Nuts in the paper and concluded to try it. I found I could eat Grape-Nuts with a relish, and it was the first food that I found nourished me in a long time. Soon my stomach trouble stopped, my appetite increased, the craving stopped, my appelite increased, the craving thirst relaxed until all desire for drink was gone. I have used Grape-Nuts constantly for over a year and I am now strong and robust; entirely cured from drink and able to work hard every day. My gratitude for Grape-Nuts is unspeakable as it has saved my life and reputation. Name gives by Postum Co. Battle

398 worth of products and give up to them \$152,155,623, while the people who had done the work were only permitted to keep \$19.573,775. In other words, 8,872 men or women each robbed the majority of industrial workers of \$17.262, while 39.053 men, women and children only received about \$501 each, instead of their just share of \$4,166. The 8,872 capitalists most probably enjoyed themselves without doing a stroke of useful work and are, therefore, not entitled to anything. The So-cialists would stop this process of "dividing up," and the workers in those industries would receive the full product of their labor. If any of those capitalists had rendered a useful ser-vice by supervision, they would share equally with the other workers in the proceeds of the

industry, but no more.

Now let us turn to agriculture. The total Now let us turn to agriculture. The total land area of Kansas is 52,288,000 acres. Of this, 41,662,970 acres is farm land, of which 25,040,550 acres are improved and make a total of 173,098 farms. These farms produced a total product of \$209,895,542. You can figure out for yourself how much of this went into the pockets of the farmers and who got the rest. You will then find that another reserves. You will then find that another process rest. of dividing up, similar to that in the manufacturing industries, was going on in agriculture, and that the enormous majority of the Kansas farmers received no more than the workers in the industries, while landlords, railroads speculators took the bulk of the product, without doing a stroke of useful work

The Socialists would put a stop to that and the farmers would be rid of capitalist exploit-

How many farms out of those 173.098 were owned by the men who worked them? How many were free of mortgages? The latest census is silent on these questions. It wont do to give the Socialists still more propaganda material. But you can bet that conditions have not materially improved since 1890, or the capitalist politicians would be quick to let the world know about it. And how was it in 1890? There were 1,729 farms, most of them of large size, that were administered by managers and worked by wage labor. The owners of these farms lived in luxurious city dwellings and let some poor "free American" slave for them on their Kansas farm, in the heat and for them on their Kansas farm, in the heat and in wind and rain. A total of 74,447 farmers owned their farms. But they were not only exploited by railroads and speculators. No. There were mortgages on 203,306 acres of farm land, amounting to \$174,720,071. The total debt on real estate in Kansas amounted to 20,83% of the true value of all taxed real estate and 60,32% of the total number of taxed farms and 60.32% of the total number of taxed farms and 60.32% of the total number of taxed tarms were mortgaged. The mortgage per capita was \$170, and every fifth man had to carry the burden of a mortgage beside the direct tax of capitalist exploitation. The interest which had to be paid to money lenders, amounted to \$21,-115,907 per year. Add this to the sum ex-tracted from the farmers by the railroads and speculators, and see how much the farmer had left at the end of the year.

Well, the Socialists would declare all these debts null and void, and for the first time in the history of this country, there would be free farmers in Kansas

There were 33,434 farmers who only owned a part of their farms; 2,562 were part owners and part tenants; 17,741 were cash tenants, that is they had to pay their rent in cash to some landlord; and 43,125 were share tenants.

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of products, just like the serfs under feudalism, The Socialists would declare the abolition of all rent and make these part owners and tenants free holders. And then they would turn the management of agriculture over to the farmers themselves. The farmers could then organize their production in a way that would suit them best. In 1890, hay and grain was grown on 75,807 farms; vegetables on 2,249 farms; fruits on 956 farms; tobacco on 5 farms; cotton on 7 farms; sugar plants on 99 farms; flowers on 65 farms; nursery products on 79 farms; miscellaneous products on 9.142 farms live stock was raised on 79,308 farms, and dairy products on 5,381 farms. Under Socialism, the farmers would probably bring double the area under cultivation, and instead of turning their products over to Smitt over the Smitt over the state of the state over th products over to Swift and Armour and Pills-bury, they would turn them over to the workers in other departments of industry in exchange for manufactured products. They would reg-ulate irrigation to suit their own needs. They would build good roads and new and sanitary farm houses, school houses, stables, etc. They would establish electric railroads, telephones, libraries and other conveniences, all by the exchange of their own products. They would use the most improved machines. exchange of their own products. They would use the most improved machinery. They would make provisions against drouths, against storms, and all other natural forces. They would turn Kansas into a garden of Paradise. And they would be free men on free land. In 1890, there were 356 incorporated cities in

Kansas; 53 of them had more than 2,000 inhabitants; 34 from 2,000 to 5,000 inhabitants; 10 from 5,000 to 10,000; 5 from 10,000 to 20,000; and 4 more than 20,000 inhabitants. The Soand 4 more than 20,000 inhabitants. The So-cialists would give each town complete autonomy. There would be no politicians in the state legislature to dictate to the citizens of these towns how to run their own affairs. The citizens of each town would own and operate their own water works, electric light plants, pave their streets, tear down old and unsanitary houses and build beautiful-homes, lay out parks and erect gymnasiums, swimming pools, public theaters, and other places of public recreation and education. In 1890, 95.578 lots were burdened with a mortgage of \$68.4 6.755. The Socialists would repudiate this mortgage debt. They would create beautiful homes for every family in town. They would equip the public schools with all the latest scientific im-provements and introduce the best and most complete system of education which modern

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# Socialists Not Purchasing Gold Bricks.

A Great Democratic Ø Scheme to Repeat the Tactics of 1896.

DELOW we publish an extract from an editorial comment on our Populist edition by the "Nebraska Independent," a populist paper published at Lincoln, Neb. The Independent is the only paper of GENERAL CIRCULATION in the United States, that still pretends to teach Populism. The others have all died. It is difficult to account for the continued existence of this paper on any other ground, than that it has been necessary to the Democracy, and has been sustained by them. Its make-up and general appearance is almost identical with that of Mr. Bryan's Commoner. The Independent through the last six years of its existence has exhausted its vitality in attacks on Mid-Road Populists and Socialists. Both of these organizations have interfered with the successful issue of the disgraceful surrender of Populist leaders in the fusion of 1896. The Independent has never exhibited any affection for the straight Populist or the Jo Parker's Mid-Road manifesto has been pub-

Socialist until the past few weeks, when there has been a studied effort to please both. lished in its columns, and now we have a bouquet thrown in our direction as follows:

We acknowledge the good-will implied in the above article, but the closing lines cannot be permitted to pass without comment. Now the editor knows full well that the People's party can never again become a factor in the politics of this nation, as a distinct party organization. The reason is obvious: its leaders sold out the movement to the Democrats in 1896, and none of these men would be trusted again. There is no use to argue that the logic of the situation made it necessary for the Populits to nominate Bryan at St. Louis in 1896, for you know that Mr. Bryan and the Populist leaders arranged months before so that the People's party would be placed in this humiliating position. Mr. Bryan so stated to the writer in 1897. We cannot but be distrustful of the good intentions of the Independent for we know that there is

Here's success to your populist edition, Mr. Wayland. May it do a world of good. If you can unite the warring factions in your party—and we fail to do so soon-you will get a big share of the populist vote. But if we quit fighting among ourselves-and it begins to look as if we may--the "scattered forces of populism" will be reformed in line of battle under our own banner .- Neb. Independent.

another deal on foot to arrange another logic of events. W. R. Hearst, the millionaire owner of the New York Journal, the Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner, has had himself announced as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President in 1904. He proposes a platform similar to that of the Democracy in New York at the last election, which contained a demand for government ownership of the coal mines, etc. Democratic resources seem to be inexhaustible. Its leaders change their platforms as easily and readily as an individual changes his coat. One year it is free silver, the next it is tears for the Filipino, and now it is proposed to take up State Socialism. Now what is State Socialism? It is precisely what is pointed out to be the "VICIOUS THING" that so many believe is REAL SOCIALISM. State Socialism, or government ownership, means the transfer of private monopoly from private hands to that of the government. Who is the government? It is precisely the POLITICIANS who are in control at Washington. Do you suppose that the sensible people of this country will want to try the dangerous experiment of turning the great utilities of the nation over to a body of BRAINLESS POLITICIANS, to be used as a great PUBLIC GRAFT, such as Tammany has in New York? When this latest move of the Democratic machine is correctly understood there will not be found, outside of the ranks of the "heelers," a respectable quorum who would give such a plan their endorsement. This Democratic play will serve one good purpose: it will draw the line sharply between the State Socialists, or rather the state capitalists, and the scientific or Real Socialists. SOCIALISM comprehends the transfer of the means of production and distribution from the hands of the capitalist class to that of the working class, the entire people thus absolutely controlling the CAPITAL, and creating wealth to suit the POPULAR NEED instead of the PRIVATE GREED as now. Government ownership means the transfer of utilities to the government, to be administered as POLITICIANS direct. The politicians now annually steal millions from the people. Do we want to increase their opportunities? BUY SOME BOOKS ON SOCIALISM AND STUDY THE SCIENCE OF SOCIALIST ECONOMICS. YOU WILL FIND NO FLAWS IN ITS PROGRAM, WHILE THAT OF THE GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP ADVOCATES CAN BE EASILY OVERTURNED AT ANY POINT. We are wary of the apparent friendship of the Independent. As stated previously, it has published the Parker manifesto and thrown kisses at the Socialists, all, we fear, inspired by tactics learned since the editor "attended the Democratic school."

While "The Independent" is talking peace in the Populist ranks and advising everybody to get together, the agents of Hearst in the cities are busy organizing independent labor parties, to form a new political alignment for the Union men. These labor parties must not declare for anything radical, such as a recognition of the class struggle, for that would upset the whole scheme. They must not go farther

than municipal ownership, and government ownership of telephones or some such senseless drivel.

Now comes the Democratic convention in midsummer, 1904. There is another "crown of thorns" and another season of fervid oratory and W. R. Hearst, millionaire and journalist, is nominated. Then the Populists meet and, of course, the "logic of events" compel them to endorse the candidacy of Mr. Hearst. The independent labor parties meet and are in the hands of the same "logic of events." There is more fusion, another trinity---and---well, this is only the picture taken from the mind of the Opportunist Democratic politician.

It will never be realized, for there stands in the way, a stone wall of strength and firmness, an UNCOMPROMISING SOCIAL-IST PARTY. There is a strong press, among which is the Appeal to Reason, that long before this Democratic scheme can be consummated will have a million circulation and will circulate side by side with the sensational publications of Hearst, and will replace Democratic fallacy with Socialist truth. Only in one of those centers where the Hearst journals are published has he been successful in forming independent labor parties, but his agents are busy in Chicago and New York. FOR THE UNIONS TO MIX IN THE COR-RUPTION OF DEMOCRATIC POLITICS IS THE MOST DANGEROUS EXPERIMENT THEY CAN UNDER-TAKE AND CANNOT FAIL TO DISRUPT THEIR ORGANIZATIONS.

While Hearst's papers occasionally publish articles on Socialism, you will notice that THEY NEVER TEACH THE CLASS STRUGGLE. This proves their insincerity and you cannot take Republican union men into the Democratic party, by the crooked lane of an independent labor party. The attempt to unite the People's party will be equally futile. A personal letter from Mr. Parker to the writer conveys the fact that that astute leader has also analyzed the Hearst program. As for the fusion Populists one would suppose they

were tired trying to accomplish reform through a party that the people absolutely WILL NOT PLACE IN POWER.

The Socialist party is organized in every civilized nation on the globe, --- its mission is to acquire the reins of government by and for the working class, in order to establish industry on a basis whereby he who does the work will get his product. To do this, it teaches the class struggle in order to make the worker conscious of the class to which he belongs, and the necessity of acting unitedly as a class, in all economic and political movements. To this class belong the exploited, those who are robbed of the fruits of their toil by surplus values created by labor over and above what is received in wages, and which is called profit. This class includes the wage earner of the city and country and the small farmer. The interests of this class are opposed to the capitalist class, for the capitalist exists for no other purpose than to take profit. The Socialist teaches that the working class must organize to gain control of the government in order that the law-making power may be taken away from the capitalist class and bestowed on the working class. This is most eminently just, for since all wealth is the product of labor it follows that LABOR should CONTROL the PRODUCTION and DISTRIBUTION of WHAT it CREATES. The Socialist party is uncompromising. It seeks no alliances with any organization. It does not ask for the support of unions as unions, but the support of union men, whose battles we are fighting and whose sole hope we are. It does not seek the support of the Populist party as a party, but the support of the Populists for the battle begun by them in 1892, and turned into defeat through the cowardice of their leaders has been renewed by us and this time we have no leaders, to destroy, but instead have the Socialist movement which is invulnerable to assaults of open enemies or secret foes.

# Information For the Eager

Editor Appeal to Reason.

What is the plan of the Socialists to gain control of the tools of production? Is it your plan to seize the railroads and coal mines from the present owners without giving them adything?

MINNEAPOLIS INQUIRER.

The plan of the Socialists is to make the working class the ruling class by the conquest of the political powers and to use this political power for the purpose of gaining control of the tools of production. Whether the present owners will be compensated or not, no one can tell today. The majority of the Socialists are in today. The majority of the Socialists are in favor of seizing the monopolized tools of production without compensation. They see no necessity for compensating the present owners for their illegally gotten spoils and letting the Socialists want justice for the working class, and this being their main concern, they do not lose any sleep about the question of compensating the robber barons of the present trusts.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

If a new invention made it possible to create all the necessary motive power without any cost, except the first installation of the plant and the wear and tear of the machinery, would the Socialists be in favor of having the Socialists own this motive power and abolish all competition?

Detroit, Mich.

OTTO KERSCHT.

The Socialists demand that all the means by

Socialists demand that all the means by which food, clothing and shelter are produced and distributed, shall be owned and controlled by the whole nation, the working class being the ruling class. This will not only do away with all competition for the possession of the necessities of life, but also force everyone to work at some useful occupation. Idlers would not receive anything and workers would receive the full product of their labor, after deducting a small percentage for the support of sick, invalid and aged. While competition for material gain would thus be abolished, competition for mental and physical excellence for honor and knowledge would increase and thus lift the human race to a high intellectual and physical plane of perfection.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

I have three houses. Would they be taken away from me under Socialism?

A READER.

Socialism would provide good homes every one. As no one would need more than one good home, you would have no use for two of your houses. They would simply be a useless burden to you. Under the present system would be a proper than the present system. useless burden to you. Under the present system, you need these houses as a source of revthem. If they are good, comfortable, and desirable homes, society might take them off your hands and pay you for them what they are worth in the judgment of experts. If they would provide, they would remain unoccupied. rate, you would not be compelled to live off the revenue of these houses under So-cialism, as you would make a far better and more equitable living by working in some public industry. Or, if you are an invalid, soel-ety would provide abundantly for you without exacting any service from you.

Editor Appeal to Reason.
What will Socialism do for invalid maiden wome who are not old?
ONE OF THEM.

Under Socialism, all women, whether maid-ens or married, young or old, would be the ens of married, young or old, would be the equals of men in social and economic, political and moral relations. For they would be sconomically independent as well as the men. Therefore women could follow their own individuality under Socialism, and being the equals of men, could become real companions, instead of mere housekeepers, playthings, or last slaves, layalid persons of both serve old. sex slaves. Invalid persons of both sexes, old or young, would not be required to work, as they are today. Neither would they be de-pendent on charity, or be a burden to their impecunious relatives, as so many unfortunates today. Society would support them, and would not be charity, but justice. All invalid persons would be given every opportunity to get well, and those who are incurable would live in pleasant surroundings and be supplied with all means of recreation and incorporation so that formation, so that even these unfortunate members of the race would be able to develop a far superior individuality than many a rich and pampered scion or society girl of our cap-

or thinks he does not. His objection to Socialism strated more attention than so many wise men endeavoring to introduce a "science" science. Seattle, Wash.

This comrade believes that the laying out of an ideal plan of work, somewhat after the manner of a Bellamy or Gronlund, is a more effective way of teaching Socialism than the methods generally pursued by Socialism. This is a matter of personal taste. The painting of the organization of the future in itself is only a means of showing the difference between a Socialist and a capitalist organization of Socialism by setting forth the superiority of Socialism over the capitalist system. The Appeal is continually drawing such compartaons, and will also do so in the future. But it is quite a different matter to lay down a detailed plan of action that will hold good for all time to come. We do not know what will be the state of our control over the forces of nature, when the first Socialist president and congress will issue their first message to the people of the United States. We don't know whether we shall run all our industries by electricity by that time, or whether a new mode of production still more than at present. So you see, we must be satisfied with laying out a general plan of action, and leaving it to the future to decide what we shall do when we win. When the Declaration of Independthe future to decide what we shall do when trace we win. When the Declaration of Independence and the American Constitution were writent we win. When the Declaration of Independ-ence and the American Constitution were writ-ten, the Fathers of the Revolution did not outline a plan how to manage the industries of this country. They just declared that they would in the future own and control their expression of the revolution of their less cun-ning brethren who had nothing but their les-swn country, instead of letting King George to revolution of the present of the prese of this country. They just declared that they would in the future own and control their bor power. This has been done by the hisword country, instead of letting King George run it and tax them for the use of it. Just tending over a period of many thousand years, so that the blame for the present conditions ingmen shall own and control their country cannot be laid to any single individuals or class. But the injustice of the claims of the present ruling classes cannot be dewould in the future own and control their own and control their own country, instead of letting King George run it and tax them for the use of it. Just so do the Socialists declare that the workingmen shall own and control their country instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and the workingmen shall own and control their country instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just instead of letting the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just it is the following the capitalists own it and tax them for the use of it. Just it is the capital to both or us.

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Editor Appeal to Reason.
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So far as the Appeal can learn, the father of the present head of the Vanderbilt millions solve and join a party that makes the transselves and hunters his money exploiting the trappers and hunters for of the country to the working class its aim. That is the upshot of the term "class consciousness" which sounds so discordant in the sciousness" which sounds so discordant in the ears of some of our friends. But it is very essential that the workingmen should understand that their interests are not identical with those of the capitalists. If it were not so eas to mislead the workingmen on that point, there would be no necessity to insist on clear terms. But if we simply speak of government ownership of industries, then we talk the same indistinct language which Hearst is using in his papers to fool the workingmen into voting for the democratic party. Don't you see that we must be so much more careful in our expressions on account of the democratic and nondescript public ownership parties that now occupy the political arena? If we wish to get the working class to join the for their illegally gotten spons and leaves of the working class to join the exploited majority go without any compensation for their sufferings and hardships. The socialist party, we must tell them that government ownership is Socialism only then socialists want justice for the working class, when the workers control the government ownership is socialism only then when the workers control the government. And in order to make them see this we must tell them to become "class conscious." That does not mean we should use just this term, but whatever term we use must include this truth. Therefore be patient with those who are "scientific." They are showing the workers the way "how to get Socialism" while Bellamy, Gronlund and others have only shown them "what a nice thing it would be." This is simply a division of labor between those who believe it is better to show how good Socialism would be, and those who point out the only way that will lead to the Cooperative Commonwealth. There is room and need for both of these sides, and the Ap will give due recognition to both of them.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

The editor of the "Citizen," of this city, says the Socialists of Germany are democrats, and endorses their course and principles. At the same time, he opposes Socialism in this country, claiming that there is a wide distinction between the two. Will you explain the difference, if any, between the German and American Socialists, so that we may be ready for our slippery opponents?

Tueson, Ariz.

B. F. FRENCH.

The German Socialists and the American Socialists both are members of the International Socialist party. The platform of the American Socialist party is molded after that of the German Socialists. They have a common central bureau in Brussels, Belgium, and they meet in international congresses, to which only party members are admitted. If the editor of the Tucson Citizen claims that the German Socialists are akin to the American democrats, he is either an ignoramus or a deliberate liar. In enue. Under Socialism, these houses would either case, you cannot argue with him. Hold not yield any revenue, for no one would want the platforms of the American and German Socialist parties side by side, and demonstrate the truth of their identity to your own satis-faction. This platform has not been changed in its fundamental demands since it was first formulated. The wording has been re-edited once or twice, in order to take notice of some later capitalist developments. But the fundamentals demands have always been the con-quest of the political power by the working class and the transformation of the capitalist class and the transformation of the capitalist system into a co-operative commonwealth under the control of the working people. Compare these demands with the various democratic platforms and ask the editor of the Citzen to publish them side by side, beginning with the year 1875, when the first united Socialist platform was adopted in Germany. Ask him to name an American democratic the capitalist platform was adopted in Germany. him to name an American democrat who was ever delegated to attend an International So-cialist congress. Ask him how long it is that the democratic party advocates the government ownership of public utilities. Then let him show you where he can find a demand for government ownership under the control of democratic politicians in the Socialist platforms. This editor is simply trying to steal the Socialist thursday that like W. P. Hearst for the cialist thunder, just like W. R. Hearst, for the purpose of fooling the working people in the same way the democratic party fooled the populists. Tell him that the game wont work this time. The Socialists have no leaders that have and and the American working class is wide awake and understands the democratic tricks.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

Ten acres of good irrigation land will support a family. I know a man who has 160 acres. He has dug a ditch to irrigate this land. Would it be right for affeen other persons who have no land, to take ten acres each of this land? If not, why would it be right for a majority to take the land, coal mines, railroads, oil wells, etc., from the minority who own them? I was a subscriber to your paper once, and have read it at intervals for five or six years. The more I read of Socialism, the less I like it.

A CONSERVATIVE.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

Why do not our people place before the public a definite plan of action or method of organizing a government under Socialism? Would not a series of articles devoted to actual description of labor and environments in all vocations under government of the does not his objection to Socialism is that it will take from those who call the manner of the second of the secon

Now the fact is that all land titles may be traced back to either force or fraud, so that

their own labor or that of their exploited ancestors. It is perfectly just, that they should recover these things.

But this does not mean that under Social-ism the farmers would have to give up their present holdings. The men who really farm today are as much exploited as all the rest of the working class. And if they join the So-cialist party and help to bring in Socialism, they will be a part of the government of the Co-operative Commonwealth and will be free to adjust the affairs of agriculture as the majority of the farmers will decide. Of course, all land will be public properly under Socialism. But the farmers who wish to farm on their present land would be left undisturbed. The majority would, however, find it to their advantage to arrange for the collective management of certain farm industries. For instance it would be more profitable for us as a sagement to testain latin lating lates. For its peggar anything under Socialism, for every-stance, it would be more profitable for us as a nation, to farm only on the best land, and to raise each crop on the land best suited to the special requirements of each plant. It would be labor check would make it impossible for lso be more economical to use only the very the rich idlers to exchange their horded gold best machinery and methods of cultivation And this could be done better under the direction of a common department of agriculture
All those who would wish to work under this direction would devise proper plans to get the best results with the least expenditure of labor And it is a plain that the third work and a disabled friend would be probest results with the least expenditure of labor. And it is plain, that they would have shorter hours of work and better results than the men who would continue to farm singly and with inferior methods on inferior soil. It would not be wise for a single farmer to work from 12 to 16 hours a day, all by himself, when he could produce more and better goods by collective farming. And so it would be to every farmer's advantage to join in with his every farmer's advantage to join in with his brother farmers and carry on agriculture colall the children of the nation would be provid-

Editor Appeal to Reason.

Please answer the following questions, as I do not understand them to my satisfaction. Under Socialism, would work be made compulsory by legal enactment, or could a man refuse to work if he-did not consume. Would a man be compelled to consume his entire income, or have it revert to the public treasury, or could he deny himself and the public treasury, or could he deny himself and it working for say, ten years, and living on one-third of his income, and then retiring and consuming to the two-thirds accumulated each year? In this way he would be able to live until he would be unable to work, or have arrived at an age when he would receive a pension. If allowed to do so, would he not be contributing less than his share to the education of the young and maintaining of the public expenses after having received his education at public expense, and also get his pension in old age?

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Just think these questions over a little: What do you mean by saying "If a man did not care to consume?" Do you mean, if a man wanted to go without food, clothing and shelfer? If any more recorded to the same of the same o If any man were crazy enough to do that, I would be in favor of permitting him to enjoy himself in his own way. No one would miss him. What do you mean by saying "Would a man be compelled to consume his entire income?" Do you think the Socialists want to compel every man to eat three dinners, wear half a dozen coats, and build a new addition to his house every time his income increases? If we had too much under Socialism, we would work just so much less, and have more time for enjoyment. What would a man want to make plans for to lay up two-thirds of his in-come? You seem to think that work under Socialism would be the same tedious drudgery that it is today, and that everybody would scheme to beat everybody else out of a few hours of labor, the same as today. A man has these ideas today, because work is a drudgery and life a grind. Under Socialism work would be a positive pleasure and a means of physical training rather than the irksome task of today. Don't bother your head about such hairsplitting questions. Get to work and help us to bring in the Co-operative Commonwealth. bring in the Co-operative Commonwealth. You will find, when you get there that there is much less cause for bothering with such ideas, than you think today. You would be living so much more happy and contented that you would not waste any time figuring out how others might play the rogue's game on you. One of the strangest things in this world of mysteries is that you people will vote corrupt capitalist politicians into office year after year without asking them a single question. But when we advise you to be your own inasters and elect men of your own class, then you cudgel your brains to find some specious excuse gel your brains to find some specious excuse for intimating that every man of the working class is either a knave or a fool.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

Will the labor check be transferable or not? If yes, will it not make possible the existence of gambling dens and loan offices? If not, will it not be cruel to make it impossible for any one to make a gift to a friend of his or her own time check?

Sioux City, Iowa

J. SYLVESTER.

Whether the labor check will be made transferable or not under Socialism, the Appeal can-not tell, because it is not a prophet. That is a question which the people, our friend among them, will decide themselves when the work-ing class will come into their own. But the Appeal can express a personal opinion on this

If labor checks under Socialism are evidence of labor performed, then only those will have labor checks who have done some useful work. And if these checks are not made transferable. then every exchange for some product will cancel so much of the check. No further book keeping will be necessary. That is the first advantage of a non-transferable labor check. In the second place, no one will be able to secure any products who has not labored. There is no chance for the idle to benefit by the dili-gence of others. Aside from useful work, only begging and stealing will give a man the means of subsistence, unless he is unable to work through sickness or invalidity, or ex-empt through age. No one is likely to give a

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beggar anything under Socialism, for every silver, or paper for products. They would have to work, the same as everybody else. There would be no necessity for transferring

profit from such doubtful pursuits, and hence they would not be tolerated by any self-re-specting community. Gambling dens are tolectively. His children would also be sure of specting community. Gambling dens are toa good living, for as all the land would belong to the nation, no one could monopolize it, and because some political party makes a good thing of them. But in a Socialist society, and with direct legislation, there would be no possibility of making any profits, and it is not likely that anyone would encourage the gambling for labor checks in the hope of cheating others out of the fruits of their labor. Of course, during the time of transition, when there will be a good many doubtful elements transferred from the old to the new society there would no doubt be considerable trouble in keeping them usefully employed, and they would probably attempt to exploit the transferable labor check. But once the new system would be fairly established, these cases would be rare, for the experience of many new countries has shown that men will prefer to make an honest living if they can do so. And then it would be quite immaterial whether the labor check would be transferable or not. Only transferable checks would require an elaborate system of bookkeeping, which would be avoided by non-transferable checks. But this labor check question will be easily settled by practice and experience. The first and greatest question is to gain control of the political

#### Three New Factors In Country Life.

The discussion of social problems, which the Socialists have started, has found its way even into the professional press, as shown by the following extract from the "Medical World." The editor of that journal cannot dare to speak out holdly and plainly, because he would en-danger the existence of his paper by so doing If he could tell the plain truth, he would probably advise his readers to study Socialism. As it is, he may think that the study of economics which he advocates, will finally lead them to Socialism.

The doctor advises you to vote for government ownership of railroads. We advise you to gain control of the government first and then turn the railroads over to the railway employes, who will run them in the interest of the working people. But read what the doctor has to say, and

then follow our advice:

then follow our advice:

Three new factors have, in recent years, come into country life. They are the telephone, electric car and rural free mail delivery.

Almost every small town now has its telephone exchange, and with little added expense lines have been extended in all directions into the country. This brings the country family into speaking distance not only with the towns, but with the entire country for miles in every direction from the town. I can remember when meetings at the country church, Sunday visits (the entire family in the big wagon) to relatives or friends some miles distant, and the annual county fair were the only opportunities for social intercourse. All else was isolation. Now the telephone makes an entire county a small community, relieving the social isolation of the past.

The free rural mail delivery brings the family in the family.

community, relieving the social isolation of the past.

The free rural mail delivery brings the farmer into daily touch with the entire world. No waiting till Saturday aight to go to town for the mail. Now a farmer can subscribe for a daily paper and get it on the day of publication—frequently early on that day. The farmer and his family can keep "posted" as well as any city family, and perhaps better, for the many demands and diversions of city life leave little time for reading.

The electric car flies along the country road like magic. No waiting till the roads dry up before going to town. Jump on a car, and the trip is soon made, and at little expense. In many instances the farmer can dispatch and receive freight in the same way.

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stances the farmer can dispatch and receive freight in the same way.

I rejoice that these new facilities have come to the farmer, for he has long been the patient burden-bearer. But he should understand that his local telephone system must some time become a part of a public telegraph and telephone system, just as his free rural mall delivery is a part of the national postal system. He should also understand that his local electric line must come time become affiliated with a national transportation system. He must extend his ideas and understand these things; and should do so quickly, in order to help them along, for these developments will benefit him more than he at the present time suspects. This if the policy (call it politics if you wish) of the future, and it will serve the interests of the masses of the people in a far larger and more equitable way than our present system of transportation for private profit instead of transportation for private profit instead of transportation for private, the rate covering only the cost of the service, and nothing for profit. That's the way our mail is carried. We could have had this system before now if farmers and dectors and lawyers and preachers had given more attention to public policy. We have been too much engrossed with what we think are our pivate and personal affairs, not realizing that these larger affairs are also personal to us. In following narrow and selfish motives we miss the dollar to pick up the penny.

DO FARMERS REALIZE?

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For example, do farmers realize what a government system of railroads would mean to them? They wo.k lard to produce all the corn, wheat, pork, etc., that they possibly can. At their farmers' meetings and in their farmers' papers they discuss how best to plow, fertilize, etc., to produce more, and more, and more. Yet, never, or seldom a word on transportation; and they know that the market value of what they produce depends on the cost of getting it to market; or rather, their profunct of the cost of getting it to market; or rather, their profunct of what they produce depends on the cost of getting it to market; or rather, their profunctions one out of what remains after the transportation charges have been allowed for. Now, it they think a moment, they know that the policy of rairoading for profit is to charge all the trame will bear. So under these circumstances, it is of greater in portance to them to look to transportation than to strive for better crops. A little study along this like this winter by the farmers of this country would be the most profitable thing they could do. This question, and all these questions, are vital, not only to farmers, but also to doctors, and to everybody else. When farmers prosper, the entire community prospers, particularly doctors who have a country practice.

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### Populism and the Farmer of Today

HROUGH all history there has been no class more rebellious than the farming class. This is contrary to the popular impression, but a moment's review of history calling to mind the Jacqueric, the Peasant's Revolt of the Middle Ages, and the Wat Tyler rebellion, will show that these famous uprisings were conducted almost exclusively by the agricultural population.

The Populist movement was one of these sudden uprisings. The farmers of the Western States of America arose against an oppression and exploitation as desperate as any that ever confronted the peasants of the Middle Ages. They fought a good fight, and while they were nominally conquered it is questionable if a rebellion is ever wholly lost. It finds new outlets and new expression, and this has been the ease with the Populist movement.

The early Populists' and farmers' idea was largely that of saving the remnant of private property which they had been able to obtain under capitalism. Driven from the East by adverse economic conditions, they had struggled through the hardships and dangers of a frontier life in order to get the title to the little homestead. Now that they had secured this, they found it was in truth but a paper title. The fruits of that ownership were taken from them by others. Toil as hard as they might, their only reward was a mere pittance.

These men were naturally fighters, indeed, they were the picked fighters of the nation, the men who striking once or twice against intolerable social conditions in the East, finally gave up whatever benefit social organization might have conferred, and endured the sufferings of blizzard and isolation in order that they might found a new society. But they could not cut themselves loose from the old institutions, and the oppression followed them on into their new home, and so it was that when the old fighting instinct was roused, they sought to strike back. But they found that the "octopus," of which their orators talked so much and against which they struck, had its head far beyond the political machinery which their class could control.

Although much of the Populist philosophy was crude and ill-digested, yet in a way, it was feeling after the truth, and it was not far from the mark when it located the seat of the enemy's strength in "Wall street." This name, which came to be the expression for all that was hideous in capitalism, was an indefinite and imperfect recognition of the fact that it was really industrial capitalism which oppressed them. Transportation and storage, the slaughtering of animals and the grinding of wheat had moved out of the control of the farming class, and gone into the possession of a parasitic owning class. But this class controlled the general government and the state governments in which its head was located.

The farmers of the West sought in vain to rouse their fellow farmers of the eastern states. These had been too long crushed to have any power of resistance left, and besides, when these fighters of the West left their eastern home, they took with them in their own persons the only people who might have rebelled.

The only class possessed of any rebellious instinct, or whose instincts were in any way identified with those of the Populist farmers, were the wage-workers of the great cities.

The laborers of the cities, however, were still blind to their own interest. While the western farmers saw their only hope of release in the remnant of private ownership which they still held on their farms, the wage-workers of the cities had not yet risen above the idea that the one great blessing to be desired was a job. Populism, and pure and simple unionism are equally wedded to capitalism and retain all the contradictions of capitalism. Hence the union of these two elements was impossible, and it was not surprising that all efforts in that direction failed miserably. It was not until the farmer came to realize the insecurity and hopelessness of his title deed to shield him against suffering and misery, and until the laborer came to see that what he wanted was not so much "work," as the "products" of his toil, and that a job under capitalism was simply another name for an opportunity to produce wealth for the men who really owned both the worker and the job, that there could be any real union of these two great sections of the producing army.

But the time is now here when the laborers of city and country are both in rebellion against a common master. The wage-workers of the city have come to see that the marvellously improved tools that make up the modern factory, and which great armies of men are using collectively, must be owned as they are used-collectively.

The farmers, too, are discovering at last that it is these same tools which they must use in common in order to market and complete the preduction of the articles raised upon their farms whose ownership by the few keeps them in continuous poverty. The same class that exploits the wage-worker is interested in maintaining this private ownership. This class controls the daily and the weekly and monthly press. which has so long done the thinking for farmer and wage-worker alike. Through this press they have urged upon their wage-slaves that the one thing that must be preserved at any cost is the sacred rights of private property. Meantime, they had taken from those to whom they preached, all save the barest semblance of private property.

The whole machinery of government, national and state, is used to further the interests of the profit receiving class. While this machinery of government remains in their hands, exploitation must continue. The struggle today is to gain the machinery of government. On the one side is a bare handful of powerful capitalists, on the other, the great mass of producers.

Hitherto, the producers have been so foolish as to devote their strength to fighting each other over questions of interest only to their exploiters. There is no hope of victory by any fraction or division of the working class. The Populist movement was foredoomed to failure because it sought to preserve only the interests of the small farmer class, the members of which were too few to ever make any effective attack

upon the citadels of plutocracy. But when once the farmers come to realize that their only hope of relief lies in

the abolition of private ownership in the great complex and improved instruments by which the wealth of the world is produced at the present time, they at once gather to themselves new and powerful allies. The great trouble with all previous movements of the working class has been first that the forces of the workers have been divided, and second, that they have not been directed at the real heart of the trouble. Indeed, the last defect was to a large extent the cause of the second.

But here is a common enemy against which all divisions of the class of workers can and must and will unite. That enemy is the industrial capitalist and the class rule maintained in the interest of the capitalist class. There is a common remedy which the proletariat of field and farm must and can and will adopt. That remedy is the common ownership of the instruments with which the wealth of the world is produced, transported and stored.

There is nothing short of this upon which these divisions of the workers can unite, and nothing short of this will serve to release the workers from economic

When the machinery of government is controlled by the working class and is used as a means for the organikation of those industries which are collectively used today, instead of being used, as it is at present as a shield for the exploitation of the workers, then all the benefit of improvement in production, transportation, storage and distribution of goods will come to the benefit of the working class who will also be

The Socialist party is the only political party that recognizes these facts and is pledged to the carrying out of this program. Because it is far-seeing enough to attack the roots of oppression, it is the only party capable of uniting the two great divisions of the army of labor.

It is around the standard of that party that the farmers of the West will gather for their next great political revolt against plutocracy and greed. But when they arise this time, they will not find the workers of the city supinely silent to their calls for co-operation. On the contrary, these wage-workers are already gathering in mighty house beneath that same banner and are now moving forward to rictory.

### Relation of Populism | ## to Socialism

BY W. E. CLARK

There are men, having the reputation of being well informed, who speak of Socialism as though it were something that you can measure with a yard stick, or cut into thin slices. like breakfast bacon, and weigh on the new scales that will tell you the exact cost, if given the price per pound. Some of these men are members of the Socialist party; and a few of them sneer at populism. But in so doing they place themselves in the same class that sneers at Socialism.

Why should any one sneer at populism?

Before answering that, or in answering it, consider what Socialism is.

Socialism is that philosophy which treats of economic development, by which it is seen that each stage in society is a necessary pro-duct of its predecessor, and that the next step in civilization is collectivism, or the collec-tive ownership of that which is collectively used in order to permit the private owner-ship of that which is privately used.

The Socialist movement cannot be confined within the narrow limits of those who are commonly called wage workers, it includes all who work, those who are too old or too weak, and in fact all of society.

Now why did the populist movement spring

Take the words of the Omaha platform beginning with the second resolution: "Wealth belongs to him who creates it and every dollar taken from industry without an equivalent 'If any man will not work, neith-eat.' The interests of rural and is robbery. 'If a er shall he cat.' civic labor are the same; their enemies are identical."

Again from article 5 of the platform: "Transportation being a means of exchange and a public necessity, the government should own and operate the railroads in the interest of the people.

"The land, including all the natural sources of wealth, is the heritage of the people and should not be monopolized for speculative pur-

There is no use quoting further to prove that the populist movement was the result of a changing economic system. The members of the Omaha convention saw that "wealth belongs to him who creates it." And they did the best they could to secure that wealth for him who creates it. Why, then, should we sneer at them? No one laughs contemptuously at a child because it has to crawl before it can walk. And what man of us stepped right out of our mother's lap into the full knowledge of Socialism? Until we find one, let us be more modest in our wholesale denunciation of those who have had to study in In the third resolution the Omaha platform

declared: "We believe the time has come when the railroad corporations will either own the

people or the people own the railroads."

That is not Socialism. No; but it is the evidence of Socialism. The populists saw that the old economic system had to be given up, that something else was necessary, and they thought that they were advocating the step necessary to get out from under the old and adjust themselves to the new. And the fact that they made an attempt is Socialist testimony. It is evidence that proves the claims of Socialists to be true; that demonstrates the fact that capitalism has forced col-lectivism upon us, and taught the working people that "wealth belongs to him who cre-

Of course it was not Socialism. Neither is Of course it was not Socialism. Neither is the Socialist platform, Socialism. It is Socialist testimony; it is nothing more nor less than a political program based upon the philosophy of Socialism. And the chief cause of divergence between the populist and the Socialist is this: The populist unconsciously endorsed the philosophy of Socialism, and as a consequence failed to adopt a platform that dorsed the philosophy of Socialism, and as a consequence failed to adopt a platform that could or can secure what he desired. On the other hand, the Socialist consciously endorsed, and based his platform upon, the Socialist philosophy and as a consequence he has adopted a platform which incorporates the latest developments of scientific Socialism.

The populist movement, then, is not to be laughed at: its failure is not to be went over:

laughed at; its failure is not to be wept over; it is to be considered. It was a step in the development of a program, by which those who create wealth can secure the full social value of that wealth. It aroused the farming population from one end of the country to the other. It also included the city worker. Surely, then, a movement that included all who work, is worth being considered. The movement which ignores either city or country worker can benefit the world, only by dying. Let us, therefore, be generous enough to rec-ognize populism as a step in the migratory way of those who work, be he farmer or city capitalism and into the full knowledge of So-

If you think the old parties can be trusted in the struggle of the people against the thrall-dom of the trusts and combines, just notice how quiet your old party papers are regarding the robberies now being committed by these barons. When you are injured why do these barons. When you are injured why do they not sound the danger alarm? They have no word of condemnation. They have been paid the price of Judas, and they leave you to the tender mercies of these hyenas. What other evidence do you want? Will you continue to vote to have these men reduce you to still greater depths of dependence? Haven't the old papers been lulling you into submis-sion for years, and have things not been going from bad to worse. Don't you see that the rich are gathering in all the wealth of the country, through chicanery and fraud, and those papers you look to for counsel have abandoned you to your fate? Is there anything that will make you break your fealty to the old parties? Are you going to vote for them when they are enslaving you and neighbors? Will you not listen to reason? Think of the condition your children will be in if the present system your children will be in it the present system continues. What chance will they have of being anything but slaves? Every article in life is being monopolized. What chance will they have against such competition? Think! Think!

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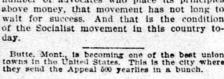
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### A Calle To Action

An Open Letter to the Old Populists Who Startled Capitalism in 1892 by a Revolt That Cheatened the Overthrow of the Capitalist System # #

A. W. RICKER.

When the Populists at Omaha enunciated the truth that "wealth belongs to him who creates it," my reasoning powers told me that this was a truth for all time. Because he who creates the wealth does not get it, I added my vote and voice to the People's party to the end that he who does the work of the world might get, not a PAUT, but ALL of his product. . With pen and voice I labored to bring my fellow-workers to a realization of economic truth. Such economic butterflies as the "silver question" never dazzled my eyes. I saw through to the heart of the great problem before us. I fought "fusion" to the last ditch, and when the party that had cost so much of burning heart-aches and unselfish devotion was basely betrayed at St. Louis, at which memorable convention I was present and a ided my efforts to those noble men who tried in vain to save the party from the clutches of Democracy, I went away sore at heart and troubled in mind. I had little knowledge of the great Socialist movement of Europe. I did not know that the great central thought of the Populist movement was but the echo of the philosophy of Karl Mary whose phenomenal brain gave the world the first analysis of its economic history. When, finally, the first volumes of Socialist economics fell into my hands they found a ready welcome, and the thought inspired by the Populist movement was carried on to its rational conclusion. In the meantime, the country had recovered from the years of depression. . The goods and manufactured products piled upon the shelves and in the warehouses in the era of prosperity from '88 to '92 had been gradually absorbed during the years of limited production from '93 to '97, and when the new administration, came in, we were ready for another era of heavy production. Socialism had its first popularization in the United States in 1900. It came at a time when the people had their minds distracted by war, and speculation had begun to intoxicate the masses of the people. It made its debut when there was no period of hard times to stimulate its growth, and yet it has grown almost as rapidly as its predecessor, the Populist movement. This has staggered the political prophets and demonstrates the tremendous strength it will display when economic conditions wrap the country in yet greater distress than prevailed during the last "panic." Its strength has appeared in the industrial centers. The farmers have given it no great impetus. Only here and there has Socialism become a dommant thought in rural communities. Until the present time no effort has been made to carry the campaign to the country. A new party must begin where its limited resources will permit of reaching the greatest number of people at the least expense. Naturally, therefore, Socialism has first been introduced to the cities. The organized working class is now practically committed to Socialism, and it only remains to carry the propaganda to the rural workers to make it a class movement representative of the entire body of exploited wealth producers.

The question now arises, are the farmers ready for Socialism, and will they rally to its support as have the wage-workers of the city? I am certain that they will, as scon as its principles are explained. What led to the organization of the Alliance movement in the early '90's? The fact that the farmer was the victim of the capitalist class, and was robbed both in his production and consumption. The farmer raises the meat, and then the capitalist class take it off his hands on terms fixed by the meat trust. The packers then finish the production of meat, and having the supply in its own hands, bleeds the consumer to the last drop. This is true of everything else the farmer raises. But this is not all; the things which the farmer must buy are alike controlled by the capitalist class, who sell the machinery and articles of consumption at arbitrary prices. The farmer suffers all the evils of competition, and the capitalist class enjoy all the benefits of co-operation, for the capitalists, no longer compete against each other, but co-operate, by means of trusts. There are three classes of farmers: First-The renter, who must support the landlord and must pay the enormous tax which the capitalist class take, as above outlined. He is almost on a par with the city wage-slave who lives in a rented house, and is robbed of the bulk of his production by his capitalist employer. The tenant has accumulated a little money during the years of high prices, but, as even capitalist politicians admit, the summit of high prices has been reached, and the downward tendency has commenced, and we are entering on another period of depression. Such of the tenant class as are not steeped in ignorance, will recognize in Socialism as soon as it is comprehended, their only means of emancipation from perpetual servitude. The mortgage-laden farmer belongs

in the same class with the tenant, for he is really a tenant of the money-loaner. Second-The second class of farmers are those who own their farms free of debt. All of the tax on their labor, except that which goes to the landlord, is equivalent to the first class. If they can content themselves in paying an enormous tax to sustain an idle class of capitalists who draw dividends of fabulous size from the labor of those who toil long and hard, we presume this class will continue voting the capitalist tickets. The younger generation, however, will readily espouse Socialism, for its practical teachings will be quickly assimilated by their less prejudiced minds. Third-The third class is the retired farmers, or landlords. This class, I am sorry to say, is rock-bound with conservatism. They imagine themselves capitalists, and in the main, may be counted on to support the capitalist parties. They are, however, in the great minority, and their stubborn conservatism will tend in time to array the tenant class solidly against the system of rent which Socialism will abolish. We need only remember how solidly the farmers of the West and South stood for Populism, to know what their attitude will be when depression of prices once more reduce the agricultural classes to a low scale of living, NO QUESTION RAISED BY THE ALLIANCE IN THE '90's HAS BEEN SETTLED. The farmer has his class-struggle, the same as the wage-worker. The Populist revolt was a recognition of this class-struggle, without clearly defining it. Haif the Populist party maintained its political integrity it would in time have become educated to a clearly defined movement and have won to its ranks the working class of the city. Just on the eve of its coming greatness, in the hour of its certain victory, it made a base surrender to its greatest foe-the Democratic party, and made shipwreck of its hopes. The Democratic party is essentially an opportunist organization. It seizes on everything that has a promise of momentary victory. It has so far, wrecked every attempt of the people to gain control of the governing powers. It is even now attempting to establish a movement to declare for such parts of the Socialist program that are of no real value to the working class, but to which the popular mind has been directed. Do not be deceived by passing events. There can be no permanent prosperity for you while the capitalist class can coin such colossal fortunes, as the past six years have witnessed, Know you not that these enormous dividends represent just so much profit taken from your labor? Temporary reforms are of no permanent value. Compromises end in disaster. The Socialist party teaches the class-struggle, and demands the COM-PLETE everthrow of the capitalist system, and the substitution of the Co-operative Commonwealth. It therefore seeks to organize the working class into a distinct class party, to the end that those who do the actual work of the nation may control all the functions of the government, and thus be able to organize industry for the benefit of the workers instead of the shirkers. Fellow Populists, leave the slippery path of fusion with the Democratic party, which leads to disintegration and disruption, and join yourself to an incorruptible movement. Let us repeat the scenes of the '90's, when every school house was a recruiting station, and every country home, in many places of the West, a beacon fire of patriotism. You have never enjoyed your Democratic home. You were led where you never wanted to go, and where you have never felt comfortable. Put Socialist books and papers on your tables, as in the old days, and feel the fires of patriotism- again. Some of you, in your diagnat, have gone back to the Republican party. I do not blame you for your desire to chastise those who so basely betrayed your trust, but the time has come for action again, and to come out from among them all and be clean.

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HOLLAND.

The dock-workers strike in Amsterdam has ended in favor of the workers, through the arbitration of the Labor Bureau of the Transport Trade. It was not for higher wages that the men struck, but to preserve the former division of labor.

NORWAY.

The new organization of the Norwegian Socialist party will not be fully established before the next party will not be fully established before the next organizing branches under the new plan. The Socialists of Akershus formed an organization for that district, which it unions entered.

Nov. 23, in Tromsoe district, in the far north, Dec. 10, a district organization was established, with 17 unions.

SPAIN.

In a meeting of the Spanish ministry held Dec. 43, under the presidency of the king, Prime Minister Silvela shid that he has decided to carry out all the demands of the conservative party, regardless of consequences. He gave an outline of the reforms planned, among which is the restoration of obligatory military service. Silvela blamed the liberals for having injured, by their finance administration, the protective strength of the nation, the navy and the public works necessary for the people's welfare.

SWEDEN.

The Swedish municipal suffrage injustice, which gives a single voter, according to his tax-paying ability, plural votes up to a hundred, has helped the capitalist class to a complete victory again in the December elections in Ystad. Fourteen city councilmen were to be elected. For the organized workers' ticket, 318 voters cast \$2,000 ballots. But for the re-election of the former city councilmen, 165 voters cast 19,000 ballots, In all, 1,021 persons voted, but those 165 voters with an average of 60 ballots apiece, won the election.

The election of officers held annually in December by the Stockholm branch of the Swedish Typographers' Federation, resulted this time in the success of the Socialist candidates. The liberals were so outnumbered by the Socialists that they nominated no candidates and did not vote.

DNGLAND.

In West Ham, at least 15,000 workmen are unemployed. The anti-reform members of the city council wanted to throw away \$10,000 on soup litchens and other beggarly projects. The Socialist councilmen opposed that plan; they asked that \$0,000 be appropriated for the public works, in which the unemployed should be engaged. Their arguments made an impression and the city council adopted the Socialist motion.

The Social Democrat, of London, the monthly review of the S. D. E., now enters its screnth year of publication. Beginning with the issue of January 15, it will be enlarged to 64 pages, several new features will be introduced, and the price will be increased to 6 pence a copy. The address is The Social Democrat, 37A Clerkenwell Green, E. C., London, England.

FRANCE.

There was a dreadful tumult in the French parliament Dec. 6, when a member made an interpellation on the Humbert swindle. The royalists accused the republicans of helping the Humbert sescape. Minister Vaile replied that the royalists were trying to make a political question, of the swindle and to have it believed that scandals are more frequent under the republic than under other forms of government. The debate became very excited. The deputies left their seats. Then followed a battle between the left and the right. Many angry words and blows were exclanced. The confusion became so great and the deputies were so closely crowded together that some struck their friends as well as enemies.

On Dec. 21, the Humbert and Daurignac families were arrested in Madrid; they said they had been in that city since May 9, and that they went there directly from Paris. The Spanish policeman who detected the fugitives will receive the reward of \$5,000 offered for their arrest. The Humbert affair is called the greatest private swindle known in history. Mme. Humbert in not quite 29 years borrowed \$5,00,000 on the false assertion that the family had inherited \$20,000,000 from a deceased American. The Humberts threaten to make reveiations involving persons of high station.

Paris, Dec. 22.—In Chaumont during a nationalist (royalist) meeting, there was a tumult, in which revolvers were fired. Two persons were injured. Several companies of infantry were called to restore order.

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17. There was an unsuccessful attempt to start a general strike. But some gain was made, for henceforth the compact of 1900 must not be yiolated. If it is, the prefect will interfere. Further, the government has promised a new law regulating the work on trading vessels.

SWITZERLAND.

ITALY.

In Como, Dec. 16, 18 democratic-liberals, 10 terical-moderates, 8 Socialists, 2 republicans, and candidates who were on both the democratic and terical tickets, were elected to the common counterical tickets, were elected to

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In Pavia, Dec. 22, the people's parties eleged to the common council all their 32 candidates, of whom 20 are democrats, 6 republicans and 6 Socialists outnumbering their opponents by an average of 400 votes. The minority consists of 7 ciercials and 1 monarchist. Pavia, capital of its province and seat of a university, is an important gain for the peacele's parties.

monarchist. Pavia, capital of its province and seat of a university, is an important gain for the peaple's parties.

There are vacant chairs—vacant minority chairs—in the common council of Castelfiorentino on the heights near Florence. In the recent elections the conservatists were so reduced in numbers and strength that they practiced total abstinence from voting. The Socialists won. The 'new Socialist council was inaugurated Dec. 20, and elected Comrade Luigi Zanini mayor.

The Producers' and Consumers' Co-operative Society of Samplerdarena, hitherto managed by the Mazzinians, held elections Dec. 20, and the Socialists won. The new president is Comrade durialdi, a lawyer. Avanti says that it is a large co-operative society and that the Socialists have won an important victory. In the ranks arrayed against the Socialists were republicans, menarchists, clericals and miscellaneous old fogies, so it must be an institution in which all parties and classes are interested. Samplerdarena is a suburb of Genoa, and has 19,500 inhabitants. It has a Socialist deputy in parliament, Pletro Chiesa, who is a workingman of great ability, a carriage painter by trade. A play written by him was successfully given by him a short time ago in that city.

The Italian actors first convention was held in Rome the third week of December. It was voted to adopt a certain form of written contract, proposed by the League of Amelioration, to protect the actors from unfavorable agreements. One of the most important resolutions passed was: The crist hill very large the contract, proposed by the League of Amelioration, to protect the actors from unfavorable agreements. One of the most important resolutions passed was: The crist hill very large to the contract proposed by the League of Amelioration, to protect the actors from unfavorable agreements. One of the most important resolutions passed was: The crist hill very large the contract proposed by the cognitication of a co-operative agency is planned.

GERMANY.

The tariff bill was passed by the German reichDec. 14. with 302 against 100 votes. The sealasted eighteen hours and forty migutes, and
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speech in the history of the German reichstag. Comrade Anticki's name now shines high up on the roll of fame.

Vorwacth of Dec. 17, reports that at the second bailot in the Bremen legislative elections, the Socialists won two more scats and the vote increased greatly. In the main election they had eight successful candidates. The Socialists now have 19 members, where they formerly had II, in the Bremen legislature.

Vorwacts of Dec. 13 reports that Conrade Emmel has been elected to the Alsace-Lorraine legislature. He was elected by the Muelhausen common council and received 18 votes. His democratic opponent had 17 votes. This is the first time that a Socialist enters that legislature.

The German Socialists in the legislative elections of the past few months, have more than doubled the number of their members in the landtags. (state legislatures.) On Sept. 9, 1902. Comrade Pritz kunert, member of the reichstag. Said there were about 42 Socialists in the landtags. Said there were about 42 Socialists in the landtags. Said there were about 42 Socialists in the landtags.

The Sachsen-Meiningen legislature has passed a motion presented by its six Socialist members, to ask the government to give the legislature a plan for the government inspection of dwellings.

Luebeck has decided on still further restriction of the suffrage. The legislature, Dec. 13, passed the bill, already approved by the senate, that in future only a man who for five years has paid taxes on an income of at least \$258, may vote in Luebeck.

Berlin Vorwaerts of Dec. 20, gives the following statistics on incomes and taxation, which show

the bill, already approved by the senate, that in future only a man who for five years has paid taxes on an income of at least \$288, may vote in Luebeck.

Berlin Vorwaerts of Dec. 20, gives the following statistics on incomes and taxation, which show what a serious matter the present decrease of wages must be. In the year 1901-02, half of the 1,830,634 inhabitants of Berlin were not taxed. A valuation of the income of \$98,488 persons was made; 54,594 of them had a yearly income not exceeding \$218, so they did not have to pay government income taxes. The remaining \$45,574 had an income over \$216 a year, but a number of them, for various reasons, were exempt from paying government income taxes. In all, only \$29,434 persons paid government income taxes. There were 180,784 persons with from \$158 to \$216 yearly incomes, who paid municipal income taxes. In all, \$150,275 persons with from \$158 to \$216 yearly incomes, who paid income taxes; \$2,548 of them had a yearly income of over \$720. The upper grup of those \$24,600. Eighteen of them have an income of more than \$230,000 a year. Five of them have a yearly income of more than \$480,000. The person paying the highest taxes valued his yearly income at \$521,500; from such an amount, more than 2,000 workers with their families, must feed themselves. From these statistics it can be seen that the law recently passed in Luebeck, requiring that in order to vote a man must have paid taxes for five years on an income of at least \$2.85, must disfranchise a large class. In many parts of Germany incomes are lower than in Berlin.

The German Socialists are having great success in the municipal elections. Berlin Vorwaerts, for Dec. II to 21, reports that in \$5 towns over 160 Socialists have been elected common councilmen. In four of those places, the reporters said that the entire \$50cialist ticket was elected, without giving the inflator of the candidates. Most of the places are in Saxony. In many, the Socialists have won their first entrance into the council.

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We Were Pops MMMTogether

Yes, comrade, that's a fact. We were Pops together—You and I. We were Pops from principle, not from a desire to gain office, nor to gain riches at another's expense. Of course we understood that in order to reverse present conditions of corporate robbery some one had to get office. But You and I never had an office desiring bee in our bonnets, we never asked for an office and did not wish it. We only desired justice. We were willing that others should have the places of power, believing that when these were once gained that the officers we elected would so change the laws as to return the power to the people to whom it belongs, and that we would hence-forth have a rule of the people, not a rule of the servants of the people, not a rule of nine

upreme judges. Perhaps we were too trustful—You and I. Perhaps we forgot that "Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty"—You and I. Perhaps had we remembered that the devil frequently appears as an Angel of Light we would have taken alarm when that wily old serpent, the democratic party, proposed to help us in our struggles for justice, and said to our leaders: "We will have none of it—not on your life." SWITZERLAND.

The seven Socialists recently elected to the Swiss parliament have formed a separate group with Greulich as chairman. Brand as secretary and Gachwind as treasurer.

The Swiss federal council has proposed to parliament a bill to limit work on Saturday to 9 hours and to have all work stop at 5 p.m., at the latest, on that day.

The catta committee of the Swiss Labor Federal as meeting Dec. 4 in Zurich, and approved the conduct of Comrade Sigs in refusing to take up arms against the strikers in Geneva. A resolution was passed that the labor secretarist must be independent of government control. It was voted to send a telegram of sympathy to Comrade Sigs in the Geneva military prison.

The Swiss-parliament, Dec. 19, with 135 votes against S. refused the amnesity requested for those significant of Swiss federad council has voted the approximation revises the statutes and by-laws of the labor protection. The common council of Luxano, after a long debate, decided with 22 votes against 12 to refuse an appropriation for the Labor Bureau.

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The convention of the Swiss Textule Workers' Federation, held at Zurich last workers with the federation committee work to unite all the organizations, and further, to carry on an appropriation, and further, to carry on an an energetic agitation, with the help of the Socialist members. There are about £400 organized texture workers.

The convention of \$1.000 organized texture workers.

The convention of \$2.000 organized texture workers.

The co But we forgot that leaders may get hungry for office, being only human, and we trusted them too far—You and I. Now we have no leaders and no party home, but like orphans we are standing afar off, looking in at the

war, the time when the lines between nations will disappear and there shall be one broad world, and that a world of brothers, and there will be no more of one man seeking an advantage over another. And it did to me seem, oh comfade, that this Angel said unto us—You and !—"Arise, oh men, for a new home has been prepared for you a home where you has been prepared for you, a home where you will be no more deceived, a home where the firelight gleams warm and not prevail

firelight gleams warm and bright for you, a home that is so strong that the hosts of hell shall not prevail against it, and the old parties that have for so long brought you and yours to suffering and sorrow shail fall before it, and in time be known no more, and in all the earth there will be not one man left who will wish to acknowledge that he ever followed after them. Arise, oh men, for this new home needs you. The comrades you will find there have been fighting long without your help. Many battles have yet to be waged before the fall of the grim Apollyon. Go add your strength to them; go quit yourselves like men; go with great rejoicing, for the home is ready for you and your place in the ranks is ready and wait-

And oh, comrade, when I breathed to the Angel in a voice so low—because of my fear—that I could scarce hear myself, that he point out to us the way to go to find this new home and the name by which we—You and I—were to know our new comrades, it seemed to muthat he stretched forth his hand, pointed to the east, and there in the reddening heavens of a new rising sun I read the one glorious word-S-O-C-I-A-L-I-S-M

Coal oil has advanced three cents a gallon Coal oil has advanced three cents a gallon again. Rockefeller has been giving some more blood money to the Chicago University. Years ago I bought oil at 6 cents—but with increased oil discoveries and improved methods of refining the price has risen to 20 cents. Public ownership and operation of the oil industry would furnish oil at not to exceed 2 cents per gallon today.

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### Garnered From the Silence

Sy A. W. R.

WRONGS THAT WE SHOULD RIGHT

He works in mine, and shop and crop, His weary limbs don't get to stop, His weary limbs don't get to stop Until his form is old and bent; Each year he pays a higher rent.

Big, healthy sons he leaves behind, Hard workers, truthful good and kind. Their lives are like their father's spent, Each year they pay a higher rent.

Until they, too, have grown too old, To labor in the heat and cold. Their forms are bent, their heads are gray, And then these boys are in the way.

Their children's children, endless chain; As old ones died, they d come, again. And thus the generations worth, Each year they paid a higher rent.

Until a son, when but a tot, Was cradled in a poor man's cot; He struggled up, with life's great air To try and win both wealth and fam

And when success had crowned the man, As great achievements always can. His pride for what he own doon earth, Caused him to scorn the humble birth.

He seemed to think it was God's will. That he should own both land and mill, And as employes came or went, To rise a little on the rent.

This Christian man oppressed the poor, He let the wolf go in their door. He'd shave their waces down a cent, And raise a little on the rent.

Today, it is such men as he That is oppressing you and me; And claiming too, most all the time, That lawfully, it is no crime.

They live in luxury ioday,
With all their millions stacked away;
Declaring that it is no sin
To waten sweet millions rolling in.
Ogden, S. C. —ALPHA NEELY.

When Comrade Wayland's letter came to my Iowa home, inviting me to become a part of the staff of what I believe to be the greatest jour-nal in the world, my mind began immediately to focus on a special edition of the paper for which I had asked many times by correspondence. THIS EDITION IS IT! It being necessary to devote so much of my time to the general features of the paper, I decided to give this column to contributors. But just a moment ago Comrade Wayland came to my desk, and with eyes shining like coals of fire, and with that cornestness which has moulded his life, said: "You tell the boys that never since this paper

lust begun to THINK. And now, comrades, the Appeal looks to you to circulate this edition. It was gotten out for the Populists, but it is good for any person. I have an impression that the old press downstairs will groan, and that the pressman's language would not look well in a prayer meeting, long before the edition is finorayer meeting, long before the edition is fin-shed. What do you say to making it a MILLION?

#### THE STARS FOR SOCIALISM.

Special Telegram to the Dispatch. New York, Dec. 31.—Hazlerigg, the astrologer makes the following forecast for the coming

The year will be one of momentons development in our national economy. This perhaps lists will be more apparent in statecraft than in the will industrial fabrics, as both Jupiter and Saturn will evolve some very auspicious conditions in pay that all will labor to get it. Crimes nearly the country horoscope, which will be especially all come from the desire to get property for observed in February, the new moon for which nothing, and as property will all be held by month will find Jupiter and Venus transmitting the public there will be no opportunity for any

of the organizing influence of Capricorn, when republican ticket. If the other, then vote the Warum Arbeiter Scrialists Soin Soilien, discontinuous the enters the humane Aquarius. The wane of Socialist ticket and help to educate your neighthe churchly influence will be apparent as never bors to assist in getting it. It will require a Price tencents per dozen, 50 cents per hundred. This office. before, and the brotherhood of man, as a prin- majority to realize it-nothing more. riple of universalism, will expand in unifor with the crystallization of the creeds. T ciple of universalism, will expand in uniformity with the crystallization of the creeds. There will then be a seven-year period of the tearing "held in fief," or fee, from which we get the down of organized institutions, such as trusts and other unjust combinations—the real, infinite the fief of feudal ages; this kind of holding was from the king or ruler, which comes to us from and other unjust combinations—the real, infinite

"And by the same token will his subsequent

ANOTHER WHIFF FROM THE SKUNK CAMP.

"The Socialist Labor Party and Social Democratic Party" is the title of another one of malodorous effusions that emanate eadquarters. After the usual set of imbeeile charges against the Socialist Parry, the leaf-et again asserts, in contradiction to all the known facts, that the S. L. P. is routing the snown facts, that the S. L. P. is fouring the S. P. in all parts of the country, and is the only rock on which the labor movement can resist the "organized scabbery" of the S. P. This shows once more, that the cuckoo can only call his own name, for the acme of oronly call his own name, for the acme of or-ganized scabbery is precisely the S. L. P. and its scab Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance. After a parting shot at the "decoy duck of the capitalist parties." the Socialist Party, the leaflet reproduces in full the report of the na-tional committee of the Socialist Party, to tional committee of the Socialist Party, to prove the utter unreliability of the Socialist Party as the champion of the class conacious working class. There is an unconscious humor and a lesson in this, which should not be

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Minot J. Savage, writing in the Pacific Uni-tarian, referring to the claims of Socialism, says: "Here are twelve people. Re-arrange the relatious in which they stand to each other began and the Army was organized, has there been anything like the activity that is now the rule from ocean to ocean."

We have no means of comparing things here,

The relations in which they stand to each other plust as much as you please. Have you changed them?" Certainly. If not, then put those rule from ocean to ocean."

We have no means of comparing things here, We have no means of comparing things here, but there is only one word in the dictionary fitted for description, and that is—BiG. Every mail brings a sack of letters. These pile up on desks, and at 8 a. m. the typewriters begin to click, and we are talking with the Arnay. And such letters as we get! And no Army in the world ever worked as this one does, Just thunk; there is no roll of druns, no roar of artillery, not letter world witnessed such a movement. You tell me, you miscrable important tending impossible! I tell you, that before such a force, seepters fall and tyrants tremble, it tell you, men and women of the Army, you are a thousand times more powerful than you think yourselves to be. Let.nothing discourace you: THOUGHT RULES THE WORLD, and we have had such ideas for all the centuries of the capitalist.

Who bribes congress? The capitalist, who adulterates food? The capitalist, who makes blacklists? The capitalist, there is no roll of druns, no roar of artillery, in mankind—it would be the same today as in mankind—it would be the same today as in mankind—it would be the same today as in skins or perhaps having a harry coat itself. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist, which is the true, then there could never be any change in mankind—it would be the same today as in mankind—it would be the same today as in skins or perhaps having a harry coat itself. Who is against union labor? The capitalist. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist. Who is gainst union labor? The capitalist. Who is gainst union labor? The capitalist. Who is gainst union labor? The capitalist. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist. Who is gainst union labor? The capitalist. Who is the trust promoter? The capitalist. Who is the tru

In the Socialist republic—the Co-operative Commonwealth—every citizen will have employment that he has proven by examination that which he is best fitted for; he or she will have as pay for such work the average production of wealth per hour, which will be all any one can consume for a day of eight hours.

Who wants a sixteen hour work day? The capitalist.

Who gets the greater part of what is produced? The capitalist.

Who calls for militia to shoot strikers? The for alx months in the year; each family will have houses built by the national department of homes that will have every comfort and insury that any family can make use of. There will be no idle people and no crimes, for there will be work for all and all will receive such month will find Jupiter and venus transmitting the public there will be no opportunity for all the following the public there will be property without it be"I look for very active times in matters pertaining to national defense. The navy will be unusually active—I might say, aggressive—
be unusually active—I might say, aggressive—
and a movement of troops is not improbable. Session of property or wages. The six months

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without every neighbor being aware of the in office? The WORKINGMAN.

Congress is not breaking its neck to make There will be some very interesting as well as that will not be recuired in the national infavorable details come up in the South American incident. A conflict of arms at this period would add new laurels to our credit. Danger, however, besets the president at that time.

The six months that will not be recuired in the national infavorable details come up in the South American incident. A conflict of arms at this period have the means to enjoy that leisure to the uttermost. Compare that kind of society with the present dog-eat-dog system. Which will "The Socialistic tendency will make rapid be better for you? If the present strenuous rides, now that Saturn is divesting himself life, then continue to vote the democratic or,

tep toward assimilation by the government of with privilege of taxing the tenants was abole national industries. Ished by law, but against the protest of those "To appreciate more fully the functions of who received the benefits, naturally. This Uranus as an iconoclast and a consequent up-builder, witness his transit through Gemini, our ancies, entail servitudes, church and village territorial ruler, from 1775 to 1782, in which increases the builder, but the benefits, naturally. This ferritorial ruler, from 1775 to 1782, in which property—but all these were wiped out by law, the yoke of monarchy was thrown off and a This was done under the idea that the proposed for the changes were better for human circling in his orbit he again reached Gemin society. All these holdings and benefits were in 1858 and left it in 1865. The fall of slavery confiscated. The holding of property in the was then accomplished.

"And he the same token will his subsequent." condition, in which the king or ruler held the entry into the scientific sheath of Aquarius land by reason of military conquest or robbery mean, not the dealth blow to materialistic sci- and let it out on fief to his men at arms. But and let it out on fief to his men at arms. But nce, but the enforced recognition by it of the notwithstanding this change, the class that priritual side of nature, a period in which the benefits by the present system of holding prophigher activities will be propelling power to erty hold up their hands in horror at the suggestion of making any further change for the betterment of the people as a whole. The holding of property, whatever its form, is merely a matter of conformity to laws made men in control. When we Socialists get the majority we shall change the laws holding property as to us seems best for society, just as the changes from feudalism and slavery were made for the same purpose.

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Who adulterates food? The capitalist,
Who orders lockouts? The capitalist,
Who makes blacklists? The capitalist,
Who is guilty of usury? The capitalist,
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Who imports seab labor? The capitalist.

Who employs Pinkerton thugs? The capi-Who promotes swindling schemes? The cap-

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capitalist.

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# = Five Hundred Thousand =

WE SEND this issue of the Appeal to press with the intention of printing five hundred thousand copies. We shall not be surprised if the edition reaches the million mark when the comrades realize its significance. There are to-day scattered over the West and South more than a million men who, in the early days of the last decade, supported the Populist ticket. The Peoples Party was essentially a class revolt of the farmers against the exploitation of agriculture by capitalism. In the early years of the movement the class lines were well defined, and it was essentially revolutionary. Its weak point was the demand for Free Silver, and in 1896 it paid the penalty for its departure from class lines, by finding itself drawn into fusion with the Democratic party, with all questions eliminated but that of "Silver." It ended in the disruption of the Peoples Party-just the thing desired by the capitalist class. However, thought once generated is never lost, and scattered over the prairies of the West, and through the land of "Dixie" are these same Populists, disbanded, but still unreconciled to the tyranny of capitalism. The spirit of the old movement was revolutionary, its subconscious thought, socialism. The time has come to carry our propaganda to the granger hosts that startled capitalism in former days. This paper is fulfilling it mission in carrying the propaganda of socialism to the Populists. We have succeeded in arousing the wage laborers of the city. Socialism has planted itself in the mine and the factory. Unite to an aroused wage-working class, that of the exploited agricultural class, and the days of capitalism are numbered. Are you not proud that the Socialists can speak through a paper that can talk to the millions? For the benefit of those who will read the paper for the first time, we feel it necessary to explain the meaning of the pledge published below. The Appeal army is pledging itself to get a million subscribers for this paper in a year. Many of you will be astonished when you learn that the pledges are nearing the two thousand mark, and that we are now half way to the pledge of a million. Does it not begin to look like socialism was in sight? Would you not like to become a reader of a paper that will lead the world in circulation? Would you not like to help it grow to this startling position? Is it not a permanent safeguard against the possibility of fusion? Is it not time to rise in revolt against the despotism of monopoly? Then

"Be not like dumb driven cattle,

Be a hero in the strife."

Show your manhood, Comrades, on the pledge below.

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He argues after supper,
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They all will have to drop.

He says that Socialism,
Will produce an equal rank,
Put the farmer on an equal,
With the man that runs the bank.

We will have no poorer classes, Every one will be the same; There will be no one to swindle, For in that there'll be no gain. He says that jails and poor-houses, Will be banished from our land; For the universal brotherhood, Is the Socialistic plan.

There'll be no one to cheat us, Of our scanty store of labor; For everyone'll be working, To the interests of his neighbor.

Of course there'll be no idling, Nor any room to shirk; For everyone will be supplied, In accordance with his work.

He says that sons and daughters,
Who are tolling in the dust,
Will stand on equal footing,
With the ones that own the trust

The politics of this good man, Are known from here to Rome; And all his neighbors giadly gwn. His is a social home.

Even old St. Nicholas,
Had learned the news in season,
For when he passed by Christmas eve,
He left the "Appeal to Reason."
—CHAS. M. HEMPHILL.

Mrs. Emma Whitehouse, of Halifax, Mass., was recently fined \$10 for not sending her children to school. The woman is a widow and washes for a living. She came into court with soleless shees, says a local paper, and defended on the ground that she was unable to pay street car fares, and the children could not walk the necessary three miles to school. Massachusetts can produce enough shoes to supply the world. can produce enough shoes to supply the world, but shoes are not made to wear; they are made to sell, and produce capitalist dividends. While all this is going on, the aged and antedeluvian Senator, Geo. F. Hoar, is declaring with assining profundity that we must not have Socialism because it will destroy incentive. Yes, it will. It will destroy the incentive to elect fossils to the senate who draw \$5,000 per year and live at \$5 per day hotels, while poor women scruh and go barefoot.

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