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The Kind of Men Who Are Opposed to Socialism. A Picture of Old Party Methods - How Do You Like It? # #

### Michigan Just Like Democratic Missouri

### KIND OF MEN THE WORKING CLASS VOTES

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. 30 .- Details of the conspiracy and bribery involved in the notorious water scandal in this city were laid bare in the testimony of Lant K. Salsbury, former city attorney, in the case against State Senator David Burns. Salsbury implicated a number of prominent persons in addition to the seventeen officials and former officials who were arrested ten days ago. The disclosures have caused a profound sensation.

The persons implicated by Salsbury during his testimony against State Senator Burns and the amounts he alleged they received are as follows:

George R. Perry, ex-mayor, \$13,725.

J. Clark Sproat, manager Grand Rapids Democrat, \$3,333.

R. A. Cameron, New York, \$500. State Senator David E. Burns, \$200.

Alderman McCool, \$500.

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Alderman De Pagter, \$350. Alderman Muir, \$500.

Alderman Kinney, \$350.

Alderman Donovan, \$500

Alderman Phillips, \$1,000.

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Alderman Shriver, \$350.

Alderman Mol, \$350. Alderman Ghysels, \$350.

Alderman Hodges, \$500.

Alderman Slocum, \$500.

Cory P. Bissell, \$500. J. Russell Thomson, reporter on Evening Press, \$500

Isaac Lamore, ex-city clerk, \$1,500.

State Representative Van Zoeren, \$300.

State Representative Van Dercook, \$60. E. D. Conger, Manager Grand Rapids Herald, \$10,000.

Thomas F. McGarry, an attorney now in Florida, \$7,500.

C. S. Burch, manager of the Evening Press, \$5,000. He also implicated in water deals:

Dudley E. Waters, ex-president of the board of public works.

Dr. Uilke De Vries, ex-city physician. George Ellis, a local broker,

Samuel M. Lemon, collector of internal revenue.

William H. Anderson, president of the Fourth National Bank.

### IDIOTS VOTE TO

### And Whine When Their Masters Freeze Them

Thus said a ten cent millionaire with a family of six, living in the north end, in hovel owned by the master who owns en other hovels just like it, unfit to put horse in, for which \$7 a month is paid.

Well, what kick have you coming?

And more than a hundred others in the boat, all over the town. don't deserve any coal or anything

Men going around the town in rags, with their families starving and vote for such a system as they do, then go around roaring taken to jail and fed on retten liver and sewer water; or better still, fed on the other dose they gatling guns and lead.

At the present time the poorest grade of soft coal is \$9.50 A TON, delivered in small lots of \$1 worth to these hovel-stricken tencent millionaires.

Don't go into conniption fits when you read this issue. I know you would like to have only sugar said about ployers for better wages, shorter those who oppose the Socialist movement. But you can't do it. It is right use your ballot to help you win. That to call things by their right names The time has arrived to meet all comers. Propaganda must not halt because of superstition or prejudice. It the employers and have all the police, is strong enough to select the true sheriff and militia at the service of from the ones who can be controlled the masters. Besides if you used your by anti-Socialist interests. Let's build ballot and gained your ends you would on a solid foundation and then we will not need my precious services any know where we are at. There will be longer, and I would be one of the unno padded votes, just because there employed, for if you elected the offihappens at some time to be a lot of cers and won you would not appoint ignorant, discontented voters. We me to a fat position when you have want intelligent voters-those who gotten on to my game. But if you cannot be frightened by some clericals will vote for the old parties I will be when the crucial time comes. On this taken care of like Powderly, and hasis will the future battles be waged, others. No, don't disrupt your unions here as in Germany, France, Italy or by voting for what you want, sin. There is more to be gained than lost by this course.

e are too ignorant about hoances ad laws to detect them in their playing on them? ling game. The common people not know anything about the moy laws and their effect on the mass-Now which, under such conditions,

Faribault, Minn., Referendum: "I don't know what we will do for coal this winter; and agreed to charge these people who want to be robbed, these prices, while those rich people are furnished the best grade for get groceries with."

So 75.

They know how well you suckers like "prosperity" and why shouldn't you have prosperity?

These dealers are chumps. They should charge you \$20 a ton. That's prosperity. for the dealers, and to mar their prosperity, why, that would be ANARCHY!

Then when these dealers run for office on the democrat or republican tickets, you will tie up your rags with rotten strings and crawl on your hands and knees to vote for them, instead of voting for Socialism, which will give you the coal mines and the coal at just the labor cost of digging it, which would be about four hour's work for getting out a ton.

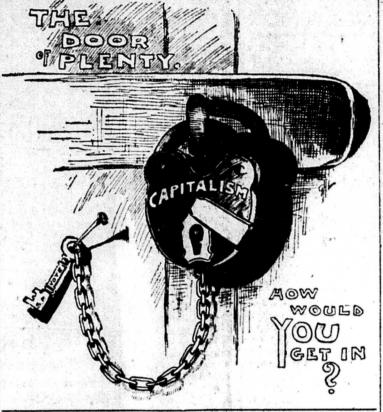
Oh, but that would be Socialism, and we

Vote and starve and freeze, theu suckers.

Gompers' advice to his followers: Boys, let's go out and fight the emhours and keep at it forever, but don't would not be fair. Vote for the men whom the corporations want elected It will be so much more fun to fight

The capitalists make all the laws, and they are cunningly framing them The bankers know what laws will en- to hold labor in subjection. And la le them to make millions of profits bor leaders are wing into their out of the people, and they know the hands. Will the rank and file never see the bunco game their leaders are

> I suppose the working class still be lieve the great wave of prosperity is on, even if their wages are believed. Their voice in the reco



# POSTAL FRAUDS

The grafters in the postal service in his pocket is on a par with the felhave reached high enough to gather low who takes bribes for direct votes in former First Assistant Postmaster or law decisions. YOU NEVER HEAR other instance Barret, a republican Because all are tarred with the same men from the ward heeler in the lower walks of criminal life to the places in the law and legislative halls to prevent changing conditions that thus enable them to rob the people. Every city is rotten in its management-just alike whether republican or graft. The congressman with passes

OF THESE MEN BEING DENOUNC-General Heath. For the \$20,000 worth ED BECAUSE OF THEIR POLITICAL. of stock Heath is charged with giv- ASSOCIATIONS. Yet if they were Soing an order for 100 machines which cialists that fact would be the princithe government did not need. In an- pal one held up. Why this difference? pet, got \$6,000 for permitting a fraud stick. A MAN'S POLITICAL BELIEF to get \$3,000,000 out of the people! HAS MUCH TO DO WITH HIS HON-Good republicans. Loyal citizens who ESTY OR DISHONESTY. The old parare opposed to Socialism! Socialism ties are organized for graft-the Sowould destroy the incentive of these cialist party is organized not only men to develop their great genius for against it, but to make conditions unstealing. The whole republican-demo- der which graft would be impossible, cratic machine is made up of such Hence all these thieves and their friends are opposed to Socialism. Of course some of you do not believe highest. The very richest grafters get this, wist as the poor dupes in Rusmillions out of the people by holding sia or Germany are opposed to Somonopoly privileges and use their cialism and favor the despotism that robs them, so people here, trained in the old party ideas, can't see anything in the BELIEF of people that makes them honest or dishonest. But if a tree is known by its fruits, surely the democratic. They are in politics not fruits of republican and democratic for the public service but for private rule is theft from top to bottom-and that must be the character of the tree.

Three Chicago policemen have been indicted for shop-lifting. That is the kind of men employed by the old parday. As a rule I think the officers in the big cities are the worst element in still there are parrots in this country the cities,

Old party officials who have been too clumsy are being sentenced in many BUT THE CONDITIONS will not be tempted to steal.

All the painters and paper hangers of Pittsburg, Pa., have been called out against a reduction in wages. Wouldn't vote to have the law on their side. They will be beaten as were the street car men in Chicago, the cotton operatives in good old republican Massachusetts, and other wage slave sec-

millionaire mine and smelter owners have violated the state law making eight hours a day's work, and thus forced the working class to strike, but the working class, foolish as it usually is, had voted the republican ticket and elected to office those who believe in and favor private monopoly. Now they find themselves fac to face with the armed militia, instructed to shoot to kill, and with the U. S. army at the call of their "servant" governor. The corporations are hiring miners at nearly half the rate paid the old employes. The troops are arresting the leaders of the unious, regardless of nine-tenths of the people are with the miners-but what of that? What does the wish of a majority in a matter lot of tools of corporations to handle the troops? Surely no one will be foolish enough to deny that private ownership of capital is a great success and

John Barden, of Pawtucket, R. I. has been in prison for 23 weeks because he did not or could not pay his ties because they are good on election poll tax of \$1. The city is paying \$3 a week board to make him pay \$1. And who believe that imprisonment for debt has been abolished.

Some fellows live in Williams, Iowa, who voted the G. O. P. ticket for a DO ABOUT THE SAME THINGS. care anything about it, but they will Remove the conditions and these men stop this infringement of their spechumns to vote not to have such money and then make such money!

Dispatches from every city announce that "tramp travel" is increasing. Two years ago there was hardly a tramp anywhere. Why now? What differing conditions have produced this increasing army of poverty? Is it an evidence of prosperity? And while you are thinking of it, how much better off are you than a tramp? How much could you leave as an estate if civil war is on in Colorado. The more than s tramp, eh? Well, the tramp lives and so do you. He therefore finds not much difference between his conditions who works none and yours who work all the time. The tramp is a product of capitalism.

Tes. Socialism is impractical. All the fellows who are wallowing in the wealth produced by others say so, and of course it must be so. Come to think of it, it would be impractical to have all the children in school, all the ablebodied people doing something helpful charges. The dispatches say that to the world, well housed, well clothed, well instructed and entertained. That would reduce the race to cannibalism, and must not therefore be entertained. amount to when they have elected a It is so practical to have the workers grinding out their lives for the profit of a few skinners, living in hovels, ed in shoddy or rags, freezing in winter and ruising up a family of ignomust children to serve the children of the rich. That is practical. To be

the populace, and spread to all univer- prevent overproduction." We are now sity towns. Troops were ordered against the people and the demonstration against the tyranny of the government against permitting the universities to teach what the students desire threatens to develop into a revolution. It is about time that the thrones of Europe were upset and democracies set up in their places. But such a thing would be frowned on by the rulers of this country. At St. Petersburg, Russia, the other day, a rich American gave a dinner at which toasts were given to President Roosevelt and the CZAR, at which all the American colony there lifted up their voices in approval, according to a cablegram. You bet, How the Americans do love czarism.

The Chicago Chronicle says that the Unions Mor- there are a sample of what Sta' socialism is-that a general strike is State Socialism operation. Now will the Unions be good? I have been laboring under the delu-THAT MADE THEM THIEVES ARE gold standard are ssuing aluminum sion that State Socialism was the pub-PERMITTED TO REMAIN AND money, and the whole country is talk. It ownership of industries operated by the politicians, like they do it in v in England and in Russia. If the Trades Unionists will vote useful labor or get no living. This cial privilege if they can. But what for Socialism they will find out what awful things they are. But when they vote for the old parties what noble, known to skilled manipulators. Deny free, intelligent citizens they are! it? Why, did you ever hear of a bood-Socialists do NOT want State Socialism. They don't care a continental blank for the public ownership of anything-until the working class wake up and want to operate the things thus owned. Now you nasty old Chronicle, will you be quiet?

Do you know why John Mitchell opposed the movement to have the workyou were to die today? Not much ing class use their ballots to GAIN THEIR DEMANDS? Well, ask the priest to whom he goes to confession. The priests are all opposed to Socialism, and Mitchell belongs to thembody and soul. It was the vote of the priests that defeated the motion to use their ballots. They oppose the working people in all countries using Catholic ticket. The Catholic party in Germany is the second strongest party. Here they have been able to have more members within the old parties, thus controlling both. The Catholic church organization is the strongest political

> ident of the oil monopoly. The people lieved the stuff told them by their maslike that don't worry them-if they it in the neck, they seem just as easy one the eld tickets like their fa-

we used our first page for articles relating to the business of the office. Now comrades, if we were running a capitalist paper, it would not be in good form for us to use our first page for anything other than sensational murder, divorce, swindling or bankrupt cases. But we are not publishing a capitalist paper. We are printing a Socialist paper, and our prime object in so doing is to make Socialists. We want all the world to know that we are working not to build up a business, but to spread Socialism. We are just like the humblest Socialist out on the skirmish line, and we are writing editorials, and running the machinery, for the same reason that you are everlastingly after your neighbors to subscribe for the paper. When the sub cards and blanks come in on the mails in big bunches, and when it takes a bushel basket to bring the mail from the office, we rejoice because we have more people to reach with our propaganda, and we see the end of capitalism nearer. We are a great big family, we of the Appeal Army, and we are not bound by conventional ways. We want everybody to see the pledge printed below, and we want everyone who feels that he or she would like to become a part of the ARMY THAT IS FIGHTING BY PEACEFUL MEANS TO BRING SO-CIALISM SIGN THE BLANK PLACES AND SEND IT TO THE OFFICEL The first day of December brought a shower of pledges, but there are thousands to come. Say, you who read these lines, don't make the old guard de all the fighting. Get your name on the rolls and help make yourself free. An order for five cards, five subscribers, or the equivalent in anything we have for sale is the small test of your intention to work, and in return you will get a beautiful certificate of membership.

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You may enroll my name in the Appeal army of workers for the

Williamsport, Pa.-T. V. Powderly was appointed to office by McKinley, for services rendered the plutocrats similar to what Gompers, Mitchell, Schaeffer and Parry are now engaged Would it be impossible to have the public provide homes for the whole

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per that we paid four years ago. Nice

condition, ch?

population as it provides schools for them? And furnish the employment by which they could pay the public for the use of said homes? All the capitalist papers are rejolo-

ing because the A. F. of L. voted down the Socialist resolution. Of course the capitalist papers are glad when labor gets it in the neck. And the labor members seem to be glad of it toos How wonderful is the harmony between the Parryites and the leaders of organized labor!

Under Socialism, the well groomed, well housed, fat paunched, diamond decked drones will have to do some is why they use money to control labor organizations by every device ler who admitted what he was doing?

The walking delegate is paid by labor to look after its collective interest. He is an awful fellow in the eyes of those who desire that labor should have no one to look out for it. The lawyer is the delegate that the capitalists employ, and his business is to make laws in the interest of his employers and to bribe everybody in his way of doing it. And there you The slash in wages occurring all

over the country, right at the time of Gompers' and Mitchell's convention in Boston, shows how much the masters fear their organizations when led by such men. In an article in the Boston their ballots-except they vote the Globe of November 15, Gempers says: "It is not expected that the ideal union will ever be realized." Then why not strive for something that can be realinfluence by using the votes of their ized? Vote the old tickets and elect Gompers. That's the stuff.

Wages of Pennsylvania coal miners weapon possessed by the capitalist are to be reduced. Thought the Roosevelt-Mitchell - Gompers arbitration committee had protected the In five years the people have paid workers? But the workers are easy Rockefeller \$141,700,000 for being pres- For hundreds of years they have beare lousy with money and a little item ters. No matter how often they get

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THE HUMAN OSTRICK.

The estrich has a peculiar habit of putting its head in a hole, when in danger, and imagining that it is hid. People are much like that alleged bird. While the industrial depression that presages terrific conditions has been coming since a year age last September the people hereabout seem to think they were hid from it. A friend sends me a copy of the Joplin, Mo., Daily Globe of 22nd ult., which gives a list of 79 mines in that district (30 miles from here) whose ewners have signed agreements to close down their mines indefinitely because the smelters have depressed the price of ores to a point below the cost of production. The men who own the refining or last process before the consuming of an article have the whip hand of the people who produce only the smelters, mills, refineries and factory owners grow rich while the actnal producers of the crude material that feeds these industries grow poor all the industries and the ownership of some could not control others. But a state that would prevent the extertion would ruin the people!

the First National Bank at Dundee, who passed this law—and as a rule are Ill., have wrecked that institution and with it swiped \$150,000 deposited by dupes with "the best banking system a Startling Discovery of a Magic on earth." It was just ten years ago Eye Lotion That Cures all Sore that my paper was filled with similar accounts, but the people are so stupid that they forget. At that time the people insisted that there was prosperity, but now they will admit there was a panic in 1893-but not today! O, no! Today all is prosperous! And the people will still patronize the banks that have lost them hundreds of millions since the banking system was established. Let them suffer.

If you have been noticing the daily press you are aware that an insect is destroying the cotton, traveling north and east through Texas at the rate of fifty miles a reason, and that nothing has been found to stop the pest. Unless semething is done, in a few years cetton will disappear as a staple crop. Already hundreds of thousands of cotton planters have been ruined. You see that private ownerhain is helpless under the condition. Under Socialism the government would raise the cotton and it could cease to raise cetton on a belt wide enough to prevent the movement of the pest into new territory, and by not raising cotton where the weevil has a hold would destroy it by having nothing for it to live on. But the individual planters not yet reached cannot afford to let their lands lie fallow the crude material. Hence it is that for several years. But then private ownership is such a good thing!

The labor unions have demanded that their members shall NOT belong and dependent. Under Socialsm the to the militia on pain of expulsionwhole people would own and operate which often means inability to get employment. CONGRESS passed a law which makes every member of organized labor between the years of 18 and 45 a militiaman, subject to the call of the president! and the labor The good republican managers of unions voted for and elected the men too stupid to see what their votes did. What funny antics the working animal cuts! And Gompers and Mitchell do not want their followers to go into politics! And neither does the president, the congressmen or the Parrys. Singular, isn't it?

> his time for a landlord (half crop) Only the working class is foolish writes to ask if someone will not or- enough to compete with each other ganize a land tenants' union, that they cannot live and give more than one-third of the crop. Why not vote

What benefit do you get by electing fellows to office under the present industrial system? Under Socialism the men you would elect wat'd be the foremen, managers, superintendents, etc., of the industries in which you work. Now you have no voice in the very places that effect your income. You live by INDUSTRY not POLI-TICS and should therefore have a voice in the management of industries. Sabe?

Catholic priest at Trinidad, Colorado, was mobbed and beaten by miners because he had been working in the interest of the Colorado Iron and Fuel Co. The miners were also Catholic. After a while they will learn that the priests are a part of the capitalistic system, as they have learned in Spain, Italy, Ireland and other countries. The clergy is the right bower of kings and capitalists.

Dr. Curry, of the Catholic Indian Bureau, says that the recent Indian uprising as well as others, was caused by starvation, the public grafters stealing what belongs to the Indians in rations. Government in this country is principally a graft from top to

The General Electric Co, has issued a statement that it cleared \$10,000,-000 last year, and Mrs. Bassett, aged 73, suicided at Fitchburg, Mass., because she had nothing to eat. And thus the books of our glorious civili- these leaders give into their hands. zation are balanced.

The First National and the Manufacturers National banks of Baltimore A poor serf who has to work half have quit competing and combined. for work.

It has long been a mystery how the

If the public will not arrange for sufficient capital to employ all the people, then individuals must do that and will do it, for their own profit. Socialists prefer to work with collective capital rather than private capital that is controlled by others. Under collective capital the workers would get all the benefits of their labor, while under private capital they get but a small part. To perpetuate their advantage the owners of private capital will corrupt the public service in order to maintain their advantage over the many. Which would

be best for you?

It would be just as sensible in labor to elect capitalists to office in the unions as to elect them to political office where they can use the judges, militia and other public machinery against the working class. The labor leaders who oppose the working class political movement, may not be in the pay of the capitalists, but their action is just such as the capitalists would pay good money for.

It is sad to see labor in national convention controlled by a few leaders who are doing the work of the capitalists. Capitalists must smile when they see labor vote down a Socialist resolution. They know they will still control the many.

Labor unions will have to depose some leaders or be destroyed by the capitalist political machinery which

### FIXED SCALE OF WAGES.

The section men in Congressman Dinsmore's district in Arkansas petitioned him to introduce a bill to establish a scale of wages for railroad men, especially section men who have to work live slaves and live like dogs. He replied: "I will state to you frankly that I do not think it would be practical to fix a fixed scale of wages." I wonder if it is practical for congress to fix a scale of wages for congressmen, regardless of their ability or honesty? Is that practical? Is it practical for the state to "fix a fixed" rate of wages for the state, county, township or other officers? Poer old congress, it has not very much power-to make corporations be just, that's a fact. But if the working people would elect Socialists to office -even to congress in sufficient number-they would find out that congress HAS the power to do just such things, and has an army and navy to back it up. But while the working class elect \$6,200-a-year-silk-hatted fellows to go to congress, and spurn to elect workingmen who are opposed to corporations, they should not kick when they get turned down that way.

At Butte, Mont., the Amalgamated Copper Co. gave the workingmen a barbecue, and in two weeks closed their mines and smelters and set 10,-000 men out of employment at the beginning of winter! The Co. furnished each employee a badge on which was printed "Justice and Equal Rights-Amalgamated Barbecue." Wonder where the justice and equal rights come in? When the Socialists gain control the properties will not be at the whim of a set of stock jobbersthey will be owned and operated by the whole people for the sole benefit of the working class. When the working class get enough pain from the present one-man power in industry they will do a little voting for themselves. Until then, let them suf-

### THE RIGHTS OF MAN.

The English government is said to Five Thousand Dollars for the copyright of the second part of the "Rights of Man." It was the purpose to suppress the book, Of course, five thousand dollars could have no influence whatever upon a man like Tom Paine. so the world has been enriched by this great contribution to the Philosophy of Politics. The Appeal to Reason has a number of these books which sell for 25 cents a copys. We also have "The Crisis," "Common Sense," and "Age of Reason" at the same price per copy.

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Chas M. Schwab has presented a coal and iron industry. Do you wonder why the Catholic church is against the workers in every contest? Soon we shall have the Schwabs caponized and other stars in the galaxy will become brilliant, The Catholic church, as a political organization, is against Socialism-for reasons that this and kindred favors of the trust people explain. The poor workers pay the bills -and they are Catholic, but what are Catholics for if not to uphold the men whom their religious teachers receive favors from? Be careful. Do not offend the clericals! They have a power that must be courted! The Catholic church in America, as in Germany. is a political organization, pure and simple.

The Missouri Pacific out the wages of its section men-the poorest paid of all the workers in the nation. The men did not strike-they auit and went to look for employment that would keep soul and body together. The dispatches say that 3,000 miles of this system are without section men except the foremen. What a glorious industrial system! Will the workers ever learn that they can remedy this condition by voting the Socialist ballot? Not if their clerical advisers can prevent their learning it. The clericals ride on reduced fares and receive presents and favors from the good, have lest faith in the Greek Catholic

religious capitalists. See? If Rockefeller could live to the age of the patriarchs, the United States would come to be merely one of his appurtenances.-- Record-Herald.

\$125,000 church to the Catholic dio- be No rent to pay. Men who can't of decisions of the ministry and other cese at Braddock, Pa. You know see that all rent for the use of God's political events in Germany. Now it is Schwab got his stuff from the spoils arth is wrong and unjust, would known that the friend at court to off men, women and children in the make mighty poor unionists—would whom they were indebted was the have offered Thomas Paine the sum of lect some officers and pay them \$3,000 o \$5,000 a year, who would soon feel hat the world was a pretty smooth place after all. It don't take any expense to vote the Socialist ticket. That is the Union of all Unions. It party funds, and attended their conmeans that labor shall not be robbed any longer.

The Sympathetic Worker's Dilemma.

The emperor of Germany is preparing to distranchise the working class because he sees his doom in their increasing vote. In this country the working class has the ballot and permits the Gompers, the Mitchells and the Parrys to keep them from using their votes to gain their rights. These labor leaders are doing in another way what the emperer of Germany is going to do by disfranchisement. Labor has made thousanls of efforts to free itself from the leech of special privilege, but it has been sold out and been delivered to its enemies by its leaders. Would capitalists buy labor leaders? Why ask?

Dispatches from Russia state that the common people are losing their religion and have scowls on their faces, and that the nobility fear an uprising of the whole population and a massacre. That is sent out by the rulers to prejudice the world. One good thing in it though; if the people church that has held them in ignorance and bondage so many genera tions, there is some hope that they will throw off the galling yoke there that is a disgrace to a savage, How the

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o make the laws, and then there will been able to publish the first news Countess Oriola, who died a few cays ago. It now appears that the Countes

> was secretly an ardent Socialist. She subscribed large sums of money to the gresses in disguise. The Countess moved in the highest society and none of her court friends had the least suspicion of her Socialistic leanings. It is stated that she regularly communicated information of great political importance gleaned in diplomatic circles to the leaders of the Socialist party who made the fullest use of it for purposes of agitation.-San Francisco Examiner.

When the Building Loan Banking Co., suspended in New York the other day the descriptions of the anguish of the depositors was heartrending Hundreds of women with bank bo in one hand and babies on the other arm, were crying and clamering for their little savings which had been squandered by the efficers of the institution. But it would reduce the nation to the dead level of heathe to have the public provide place safety for the savings of the p There would be no opportunity for the rich to steal the savings of the peo These thieves are all oppo Socialism, which would preve plying their vocation. And that's the reason why.

Think of millions of workingmen voting their masters into office and then kicking because the law is against them!

Appeal in clubs of four, 25c per year.

### United Brotherhood of R. R. Employes BY A. W. RICKER.

The hope of labor organizations | for support. Its program includes poican Federation of Labor is strongly the plural voting system in vogue in that body, have become dictators over the destinies and conduct of the organization. By dividing organized labor into numerous subdivisions, each become practically impossible to win strikes. Organized labor in the east is an army subdivided into little bands each of which is practically independent of the other. The cigar makers must fight as cigar makers, the printers as printers, the miners as miners, the carpenters as carpenters. In the railroad service the engineers are too good to associate with the brakemen, and the firemen will have nothing to do with the section men. What wonarmy on every field of battle? The apitalist displays no such stupidity. The fight of one capitalist against labor is the fight of all. The whole area of capitalism is being organized, solidby and unitedly. The weapons with which Gompers and his executive board have to do battle with this host of capitalism are about as effective as the popular and scythes of the Chiese against the machine guns of civilized nations. The question arises, se not Gompers and the leaders of the Federation men of sufficient ability to understand the weakness of their position? To believe that they cannot see the puerility of their position is to believe them possessed of a very sall amount of intelligence. If they CAN see their inability to cope with apitalism by using their established methods, then there remains but one onclusion-they are betrayers of their trust. This is harsh language, and we do not like to use it but it is a serious matter and if our conclusion be true then there is no language in the universe adequate to express our conmnation of a body of men who will take merchandise of the interests of the humble workers between whom and poverty, misery and wretchedness there is the thinnest kind of partition. ecause of a well founded belief in he foregoing the western workingn are hourly cutting loose from the F. of I, and organizing under the aspices of the American Labor Union. The latter body differs from the former as day from night. Where the eceration is weak the Union is strong. It does not encourage strikes of the affiliated bodies they get some-

stems to be located in the West. There litical action, the final end and aim is grave reason to believe that the of labor. For union men to elect remanagement and control of the Amer- publican and democratic politicians, all of whom are bondmen of capitalism, to the law making bodies, and to tinctured with capitalism, Samuel the bench, and then to strike with all Gompers and the executive board by the civil and military power in the hands of the enemy, is so assinine as to merit contempt. The western labor organization encourages political discussion and labor politics. The logic of events seems to point strongly to having separate autonomy, and each the fact that the western organizabeing permitted to make contracts tion must displace the eastern. Gomwith their capitalist employers, it has pers and his ring cannot always lead their followers to the slaughter. You can fool them all some of the time, and part of them forever, but not all of them all of the time. We come now to that branch of the A. L. U. mentioned in the headlines. The U. B. R. E, is just what its name implies, a railway organization that takes all kinds of railway workers into the same local. Engineer and section hand join the same union, and stand to defend each other. It is the ideal der that capitalism whips this divided union, nay more, it is the only railway organization competent to cope with the railway trust. If one million railway men belonged to one union and strike were ordered what do you suppose would happen? Well, society would be up against one of the mightiest problems it ever faced. Capital ism is well aware of this fact, and will bend every energy to defeat such a proposition, just as it seeks to hold the A. F. of L. in check by choosing sleek, oily individuals like Hanna to hobnob with Gompers, and turn the old man's head with soft flattery. The western organizations are officered by men whose characters are such that capitalist flattery is scorned. The capitalist organizations are trying to crush the western movement, while they are at the same time praising the Federation and its leaders. Whom the capitalists praise the workingmen should despise. On the Appeal list are thousands of railroad boys. To all such we say send to 226 Parrott Bldg., San Francisco, Cal., and get a copy of the Railway Employes Journal. Learn about this young giant in the west that now has a membership of 35,000 and is growing daily. Every member of organized labor should learn more about the western movement that has accomplished so much and is growing so rapidly. The western movement is in harmony with evolution, and in sympathy with the labor movement of the world. Either the Federation must be speedily rescued from hands too weak or too tricky to wave its banner defiantly in the face of capitalism, or else the western movement must spread to the but when its members do strike in any east, and give us a new federationa new union—that will fight capital-

### thing besides resolutions of sympathy ism, not intrigue with it.

THE CIRCULATION. Well now, comrades, you are funny fellows. Some of you felt so conscience stricken when you got what you calle our "dun" for cards that you went and sent us money for what you didn owe, and some of you rerned cards when none were charged erainst you There has been a steady stream of money coming to the Appeal, so that Comrade Wayland anthis up for two weeks more we will he out of debt. There was a happy smile on his face when he said it for if there is anything that he hates worse than capitalism it is debt. We promise you that we will never, o never, go into the credit busagain. Mistakes. Mistakes. would it be possible to 21.000 . accounts straight th comrades paying up 25 mts at a time? We dunned some who hate debt just as bad as omrade Wayland, and we hurt their elings. Let's get it straightened up prades. Fire in those cards, or the oney for them and we will do a of cash business hereafter. But hile you are paying up don't forget he troubles of the circulation man. mrade Wayland may have been ppy, but the circulation man has ad the blues all week. Just look at returns below. From addition we turn to subtraction. The take never let up. That blue pencil in hands of the office midget goes retiessly down the columns of the riptions and crosses out every exed name. Oh, if we could just conthat expired business and get the tes out after renewals we would who will compose the Appeal Army for another year? We want those certificates on 25,000 walls. Will one has on your year. Another treatment will wall, Courage? this circulation game beat Don't man escape who has had the pa-The circulation man has just from the artist's room where he is to go to the volunteers for

of his sheepskin. If you get one you have got to do it this month, and you have got to sign the pledge. But say. there's another happy man in the building. It's Comrade Mason, who has charge of the book department. Well, maybe the girls are happy too, for their phises are going out everywhere in the Union Girls' Combination, And Woodbey. Well, the foreman of the bindery told me today that he was about swamped. Everything is Woodbey, and it's a toss up whether he can keep the mailing department supplied. O. well, the circulation man has a laugh coming too, some of these

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Do you get Wayland's M

year. I tell you comrade you to get one of them. You will marching orders. They are,—"Capture everything is sight!"

We hope the Army column readers will not mistake this picture of Comrade Nicholas Klein for a "physical culture" advertisement. No doubt it would make a



Comrade has the kind of title him to be placed in front ranks athletes of this country. Comus the following account of himself:

typical tenement slum; a newsboy at six; a factory childslave at eight; leader of the greatest strike in Oblo's history against the Western Union Corporation at eighteen; a poet and athlete at nineteen; a Socialist soap-box orator at twenty; State Organizer Socialist Party of Indiana at twenty-one, where I broke the record for organizing locals, two in one day, ave in one week. Always an 'Appeal Hustler' from the start. Nick named the 'Boy Orator.' Success to the

Comrade Klein is now in Minnesota organizing the state and if the Minnesota comrades know what is good for them they will write to State Secretary S. M. Holman, 11 Oak street, Minneapolis, and secure Klein for a meeting.

Comrade J. W. Carpenter of Bellamy, Mo.

Comrade Jno. A. Morris of Viola, Ill., tosses over a bunch of subs. Comrade Bertha Burlson, of Hornbrook.

Calif., sends us a hand full of scalps. "We can't get along without the Appeal." declares Comrade J. W. Lilly of Fort Col-

Comrade Georgia Kotsch, of Terre

Socialist literature. Comrade Cicero C. Talbott, of Minneapo-lis, sends names of "four criminals who

"Here's \$2.50 for cards and literature. Am glad to see the Appeal improving," writes Comrade F. C. Freeman of Chelsea,

need converting to the cause."

"I have taken the Appeal ever since its birth, and am still ready to shout 'Hurrah for the Appeal,' " says Comrade W. F. Stufer, of Georgetown, Texas.

"I have read a few copies of the Apsee a good many more copies," says Comrade W. H. Jennrich, of Chicago.

The Appeal Army is that invincible host of workers who never stop working for cialism. Are you one of them? It "your name written there." "I admire the sledge-hammer licks you

are using on this money power system. It every blow inflicted. Comrade M. Harrison, of Magnolia, Ky.

Cemrade Lockwood has completed the de sign for the magnificent certificate of memship for the Appeal Army for 1904. It will bear the signatures of the "One Hoss" and the staff.

"Yes, indeed, I am an Appeal to Reason

man. I hope you will prosper in your good work. Enclosed find \$1 for paper and books." Comrade Jno. McCormick, of Southerland, Iown.
Comrede H. H. Seeley from Conneaut,
O., informs us that "Everything is pro-

gressing blocky in these parts for Socialism.
The Appeal is the 'man behind the guns that is doing the work."

"If you get in distress let the Army know," writes Comrade W. T. Crawford, of Tamps, Fia. Sure we will let the Army know. It's their business to be "sttached" in all matters pertaining to the Appeal

"Think the Appeal is a great paper. I like it best of all. We are trying to keep things stirred up in Falcon local—beat the democrats this fall, and hope to win next." writes Comrade W. H. Atkins of Colorado

Comrade J. O. Stewart, of Jennings, La. Enclosed find fifty cents for which I appeal for the Appeal for another year. You succeeded in making an anarch—I mean Socialist of me, so now take your Send me that paper."

Comrade John Moore, a colored brother of San Diego, Calif., is a very enthusiastic Socialist and solicits for the Appeal in the following way: He sells fish and comes in contact with the people in their homes. He leaves the Appeals with them whether they have any money or not, and later, on another trip, gets their subscriptions. In this way he is doing some good work.

"I received a copy of your paper. NEV-ER, NEVER, have I seen a paper that so boldly speaks the truth. I am uneducated, the suffering caused my people by the greed of the capitalist white, and am with you heart and soul. I want to get posted on the facts and tell the people. I am a trapper, and haven't much to say, but what I can when I have a chance." Lord, Brookston, Forest county, Pa.

"An 'open confession is good for the soul." I was born and cradled a democrat; its teachings didn't 'set well,' voted the republican ticket, then the prohibition, but found it didn't prohibit. After that it was the pope, until they were betrayed into the hands of unprincipled men. A friend naked me to subscribe for the Appeal, which I did, and afterward found myself a 'Simon Pure,' and have twice voted the Socialist Expect to keep on voting it as long

Comrade Michael Percy, of West Browns-ville, Pa., tells the following: "I invited a friend of mine to take the Appeal. He handed me a quarter and said 'here's the money, but I don't want the d-d paper.' I sent it to him just the same. After a year I met him and the first thing he said was, 'Say, do you remember that paper you got me to subscribe for? Well, my time has expired. But a quarter, renew my subscription. It's the BEST paper on Socialist philosophy I ever got hold of.' Seed sown in fertile ground is bound

to yield."

"I am always glad to get the Appeal. It it should die, I would feel like my people had all left me. Two years ago my son wrote me that he was a Socialist. 'I knew nothing more of this movement until I resived a copy of the Appeal. It continued to come, and the more I read it the more I was convinced that Socialism was the thing for me, because I am a working man, and all my people are laborers. I began working early. When father want to the war, mother had only two boys to help her make a living. She took in cewing. Many s night I have held the imm for her till ten octock while she bent over her work. Socialism is the only thing for the likes of us." declares Comrade Sidney Farley, of Penson, Ala.

Comrade R. M. Stanton has organized a ew local at Chadron, Neb.

Comrade J. W. Gillespie, of Childres, Texas, sends \$1.75 for sub cards.

Comrade E. E. Nichol, assistant manager Dixle News Room, New Orleans, sends for

Comrade I. B. Bell, of Campbell, Calif., says, "I always keep a few cards on hand to take a scalp with occasionally." North Carolina is ripe for Socialism,

good organizer is what we need," write Comrade B. J. Morton, Greensboro, N. C. Comrade Kate A. Malloy, of Uvalde, Tex. sends in \$1 for Appeal and literature

she expects to do some mischiel to the capitalist system. Comrade Mrs. C. A. Brown, of Chicago, sends \$1.25 for sub cards with which she

great Socialist movement. "I see that my time on the Appeal has expired. I can't get along without the paper, so send it on," says Comrade Mrs. E.

T. Anderson, of Eugene, Ore.

"Your paper is doing a great good. certainly 'took' me, and now I shall recip-rocate by taking the paper." says Comrade Mrs. C. F. Johnson, of San Francisco

The girls were busy on the morning of December 1st, taking care of the enrollment in the Appeal Army for the coming Get in out of the "draft" rades.

Comrade Miss Jessie Lash, of Ohio, Mo. sends for the Military Bill, by Comrade Untermann. This gentle comrade evidently expects to do some of the right sort of Army work. "Please send Press Combination. We are

doing nicely, organized with forty-six, and now number sixty—and still coming our way," writes Comrade J. M. Martin, Sec-retary Local, Big Springs, Texas. Comrade Ida J. Gainer, of Milligan, Fla.

says. "I am carried away with the reading in your little paper. I think I can do work for you in this little town. Shall be very glad to receive the paper at once. "Woodbey's book, 'What to Do and How

to Do It, is fine. I wish everybody would read it, and do a little hard thinking over it. It will surely start things going, writes Comrade R. A. Bishop, of Mt. Ver non, Ind. "A copy of the Appeal to Reason came into my hands, I read it, and discovered

that it was teaching the important truth for the common people. I enclose \$2 for literature, etc.," writes Auman, of Johnstown, Pa. writes Comrade P. J. "I wish to express to you my sincer

thanks and hearty appreciation for the beautiful Waitham watch which I received this afternoon. I shall highly prize it and expect to keep it as long as I live," writes Comrade J. A. Rannells, of Asteria, Ore.

"I am a reader of the Appeal. I like it because it teaches what I believe. I am what you might call a reformed republican converted through a speech," writes Comrade Lewis Thompson, of Redmoon, Okla. "Have received the watch and am more

keep it running, and expect to tell the time by it in the co-operative commonwealth. Af-ter I am gone it will be cherished as a sacred souvenir by a chip off the eld block, writes Comrade Samuel Hirst, of New berry. Pa.

"I work 8 hours per day as a carpenter and the rest of the time I work for So-cialism. When I am eating and sleeping I am only accumulating energy to be used in helping to bring the co-operative com-monwealth," writes Comrade J. J. Padrick, Los Angeles, Calif. Los Angeles, Calif.

A comrade in Phoenix, Ats., writes:
"The progress of the movement in this
vicinity is slow. We have a local of 20 members, only two are women. The peo-ple work 12 hours and a half in the fac-tories, and at night are too tired to think. But we are making some progress by glv ing them the Appeal to Reason in broker

Woodbey's book is outselling everything in the office. Comrade Woodbey has long been an Army man. The Appeal took great pleasure in forwarding a handsome check inst week, his first royalty on books sold. The Appeal is gind to help a comrade who has been so faithful. You can't all write books, but you can be enrolled as a member of the Army that circulates them.

"Enclosed find money order for two subs. Could not do much, am a little crip-ple woman and can't get around well this come to see me. I find many of them don't know what is good for them, but we must peg away." This from a brave little worker, Mrs. E. J. Perkins, Helper, Utah.

One by one the states fall in line, and are organized for Socialism. Of the west only two remain, Nevada and Wyoming, and the latter will soon come in. Of the South, there remains but Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, the Carolinas and old Virginia. It is not boasting to say that the Appea Army will see to it that all are in in time for next year's election. Don't you want to be enrolled in this Army that does so

to be enrolled in this Army that does so much? See the blanks on the first page.
"I am a Christian, and was a populist. Am working thirteen and one-half hours per day and two Sundays out of the month, and receive the enormous sum of \$25 and board. My wife, who is working at the same thing, only doing a little more, gets the christian and the could give the Christian and the could give the Christian and the charten. same thing, only doing a little more, gets 228. I think I could give the Christian readers of your paper some startling facts if I had the time, etc., but I cannot even sign my name—and hold my job, so here's to you from your Uncle Billy Whiskers, Vancouver, Wash. "I was a republican, 'dyed in the wool,

but a stray Appeal was the cause of my conversion. Since then I have brought at least six to see the light of truth. These can be credited to one stray copy of the Appeal. I only wish that the other 250, Appeal. I only wish that the other work of the same result I have in securing these new voters. It would have meant a great army indeed. Every one could do as well if they would try it—it is worth the effort at least. Try it, Socialists," writes Company of the same of t Comrade J. B. Bucklin, South Ber

courage J. B. Bucklin, South Bend. Ind. writes: "If I were in a position where I could take the time, I could chase up a good many subs. But like many others in this city, I am very busy hustling for my soup. city, I am very busy hustling for my soup. Studebakers and others must have their fine Studebakers and others must have their fine homes, automobiles, trips to Europe, etc., and unless we common trash dig in the year around perhaps they would not have these leisures and sleasures. And of course, heing an enlightened American aitizen, I would hate like — 10 know that any kindhearted capitalist be found to forego any pleasures on account of the likes of he. Wouldn't you feel as I do?" Corning, O., Nov. 12, 1903.

Appeal to Reason : Dear Comrades :- Enclosed please find copies of the Woodbey book, "What to Do

and How to Do It." We cast 59 votes here in Corning this year, and only seven last year; a gain of 52 in the city. In the county-14 last year, and 80 this year, a gain of 75

want these Woodbey books colored people in Readville, a town of about 1500 people, most colored coal miners. for coroner on their county ticket. carried the county by 1000 to 1300 for their ticket, except the colored man, and he was beaten by 13 votes. You see the republicans love the colored man very much for his vote, but when it comes to voting for himself, even for the lowest office on

and only two last year; and T of the 14 were colored votes. I am sure that we can get a great many of them now as they have got their eyes opened since their man got left. If I could only get one of these Woodbey books into every colored man's hands. I think he would know his bread was buttered after reading it.

Yours fraternally, JOS. A. SIENNER.

GAA PAA.

Are there any Scandinavians or Danes in our peighborhood? If so send ten cents for some sample copies of the new Scandinav-ian paper published in Girard. Can't read word of it, but it looks good, and the cartoons are from the Appeal, and some of the matter is from our columns also, translated of course into the Scandinaviau tongue. Comrade Mengshoel has a quantongue. Comrade Mengshoel has a quan-tity of the first issue on hand, enough to do a lot of good missionary work. They are of no use here, but would do much good if circulated. Interest your Norwegian Address your letter to Gas Pag. Girard, Kansas.

Don't let any renewals escape you. Remember it is the man whom you can keep reading Socialist literature for a long time who will at last be convinced.

We made a mistake last seek in nouncing that "Thousand Collar B could be purchased from the Appeal at the rate of 25 cents a hundred. The pamphlet made eight pages, and the cost is 40 cents a hundred. That is real cheap, however, for "Thousand Dollar Bills." "One Hoss Philosophy" is the name of

"One Hoss Philosophy" is the name or a quarterly published by the Appeal Pub-lishing Co. This periodical is always full of good Socialist propaganda matter and should be circulated among the non-Socialist. The yearly subscription is only fifteen cents. "Studies in Socialism" is another of our quarterlies, for the same price, fifteen The two for 25 cents or a sul cents.

I have read about a hundred books teaching the principles of Socialism, but "Woodbey's" book is the best of all. It is so plain "that he who runs may read" and understand. Please send me 50 copies by return mail, as I am anxious to place them where they will do the most good. Yours truly,

A. HOLM.

Three years ago there was only one Socialist in this vicinity. Now it is safe to eay that there are 27. This is how the ONE did it.

They may that things ain't good at all, Without some seasoning. I packed the old Appeal around, Packed the old Appeal around.

It's got the reasoning.

went for them to right and leftSometimes my courage sank;
gave a homeopathic dose

I gave a homeopathic dose
Of the good old "Water Tank."
Of course that helped a rew of them,
But some stood like a block.
I gave an after supper dose,
Of "The Key That Fits the Lock."
I gave "Infroduction" to the Cause,
And "Truth" about it too.

Then the "Jubilee Appeal" came out And our local ran it through.

And here we are after more. Your co rade, Wm. Stephenson, Farnum, Ida.

### WAYLAND'S MONTHLY. The comrades have been quick to re-

spond to the suggestion of subscrib-

ing to Wayland's Monthly, for the subs have been pouring in all week at a lively rate. We feel that we have too long neglected this splendid publication. The December number will contain Carl Thompson's and Program of Socialism. Every Appeal reader will want this splendid pamphlet. Thompson is one of the brightest and most scholarly men in the movement, a power both on the platform and with his pen. The January number will contain a new pamphlet by A. W. Ricker, entitled The Political Economy of Jesus. This little work will be the result of several years of careful study and research by the writer, and will reflect the conclusions of such writers as Ward, Renan and Nitti. Nothing of the nature of this book has yet been attempted by an American writer. The Socialist movement is reaching a point in this country where it must meet the open opposition of the clericals, as it has been forced to do in, the older nations. It is well that the comrades be in possession of well authenticated facts concerning the communism of Jesus and his early follow ers, information which is to be found galore in the classic writings, but which has not been generally diss nated. The Political Economy of Jesus will be an effort to popularize certian well established facts of early Christian history, in order that the asseults of the church on Socialism may be met, and the change of the church from communism to capitalism be clearly set forth. Wayland's Monthly will contain from month to month the very best pamphlets that (25 cents) will bring it to you each month.

### Be Warned In Time.

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natemist to comprehend the power he posnice that to attain the end of his mission he has not enough votes in his trade un ies to accomplish anything. Alone it shall simply become a feeder and a means of furthering the interest of the capitalist

rurthering the interest or the capitalist uarties, on the empty promise of place and power to the individual.

The trades unlosist must apprehend that to be successful he must be able to make his political action comprehensive enough to enable him to receive the support of common ground can he hope to accomplish fits result? Surely on none other than the ground of calling on all exploited laborers of the world to units at the ballot box for the emancipation of their class from the elevery of economic servitude.

Trades unlenism must become broad these in factory and on farm, rail world—these in factory and on sea—in other words, the expleited proletaire must be reached in every clime. This is the plan rand program of the Socialist party and this is the accentific reason why the trades union, in the last analysis, must ome to the philosophy of this party and to its great fundamental truths in order that it may get an opportunity to apply its ewn aplended plans to the industrial problems today demanding, with such power and insistence, a solution

The trades unionist has before him the task of the centuries and he has machinery and power to make of this earth a mighty The only need is for him to se the opportunity that is his and be wise and courageous enough to apply the political action that will enlist the its co-operation of all the workers. Workers of the world unite?"

### ENEMIES OF THE UNION LABEL.

Frederick W. Job, of the Employers' Association, says that one of the most significant measures before the recent meetmmendation "that members when purchasing goods give preference to such ar-ticles as do not bear marks or labels diseriminating against any class of workers." Thus the lattle is fairly on. The issue from this time forth is going to be fought to a bitter finish to down the unions in every possible way. If ever the time was at hand when the unions needed to unit political action that time has arrived ery article that aball be used by the commenwealth bear the union label. All i Its ballet and get busy at the voting

### ENTERS POLITICS.

A Chicage dispatch says: "The Union Labor Ward Club is the name of an orpanization now in process of formation in Chicago under the patronage of the Chi-cago Federation of Labor, for political pur-The movement will be conducted will be a mecessary qualification for mem-The platform of the party as out lined is Socialistic, but it is not the inten-Socialist Party." As an indication of the trend of events this is encouraging, but as an end it is well-nigh worthless. An in dependent political organization that is not founded on a scientific basis will be but manipulated fer the end and to the advantage of the old parties. If the workers would be emancipated this must be accomnlighed on a ticket on which all worker. can stand. Entrance to same must be on the ground of being an exploited proletaire. This the Socialist party stands for. Here

### POLITICS BY RESOLUTIONS.

The tremendous efforts made from time to get trade union concentions to Socialist resolution seem to argue that such action would be of great merit and that the destiny of the cause hinged upon the result. As a matter of fact they are practically worthless to the Socialist movement except so far as they give added opportunity for the extension of the propaganda. A majority vote cast would be worthless unless that majority had in their minds a clear appro ension of what they wanted and were pr pared to get the same at any cost, To get Socialist resolutions endorsed in trade un-low conventions spells nothing unless the Socialist sentiment is there to back and make good the spirit of the resol ticket before Socialists have been made back up these votes spells the same thing -and that is NOTHING.

It is worse than useless to spend time trying to convert the officers of an or canization beto; the rank and file bae the rank and file has After the latter has been done the other will have been carried with

SOCIALISM CANNOT BE SECURED BY RESOLUTIONS OR RESOLUTIONS OR BY ANY OF THE RICKS OF CAPITALIST POLITICS, Serialism shall only be possible by the con version of the workers of the world to its truths and by having their minds clearly comprehend and indorse the same . There

O one fact is more apparent than are just two factors that work to these that the power to solve the prob ends. They are the economic evolution and that are up today in the in-the hungry stomach that follows and the his "Socialism from Genesis to Reveisition" dustrial field is to be found in personal and individual effort of the com-declares that the Socialism have a standard d in personal and individual effort of the comthe one who has caught the spirit of the and righteousness?
movement and whose soul or mind is aglow. The mere fact t morement are men who are Socialists ev. tian religion. Socialism might truly ery day in the year and every year. This cuiled the religion of doing things and ventions are of no value and do not reimtheir defense. There is only one real task gone ages, before the militant Socialist and that is to What co of make more Socialists.

### IS SOCIALISM RELIGIOUS?

Socialism is irreligious. Clarence S. Dar. be the cleanest and purest religion that row, recently on a visit to Germany, after, has been known to the world? To call this a therough study of Socialism and Socialists as personified by the German party member, declares the Socialist to be a religious fanatic. There seems to be a wonderful similarity between the actions of the class conscious Socialist and the old time religious enthusiast. The proletariat get- working out and the putting into practice he organized with ten charter members.

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The mere fact that the orthodox relig with the truths of this splendid and unan-with the truths of this splendid and unan-ion may have put itself under the ban does swerable philosophy. Men who catch the not necessarily destroy the fact that a real ideal of Socialism while standing on the religion might not epring up on the rulns foundation of the scientific character of the Socialism might trais b is the reason that resolutions offered in con- being founded on scientific fact instead of finding its basis in the superstitions of the burse for the energy taken to stand in past and the mythological neusense of by-

What could be more religious than that make Socialists. There is one task that is a body of men should work most ardently much greater than this and that is to to establish a kingdom of heaven on early. to establish a kingdom of heaven on earth; should seek to teach men that the all-important necessity is to find how sure for every child of men an abundance of food, clothing and shelter. Might not The question has effen been raised that a pure materialist philosophy be found to George and a fireligious. Clarence S. Parbe the cleanest and purest religion that ing class of people religious might necessitate the change of the commonly accepted terms as defining religion. Is it not true intensely and purely religious that has ever been given to the world? Would not the

of its scientific ideas make of this world The only real millennium that can continue its existence will have to spring This is one of the sure results of the Thilosophy of Socialism

religious than the teachings of any seet that has yet existed in the world. It cares nothing whatever for this claim and is perfeetly willing to allow its coemies to say what they please regarding it and its practices. The only thing it is concerned about is that it may push its propaganda of full industrial liberty to the furthermost ends of the earth.

### THE DIXIE CAMPAIGN.

The soop boxers have been driven from the field in the north, but the balmy weather in Dixie still permits the Socialist orator to expound from the street corners Pitts is covering the towns through centre Georgia, and at this date is in Macon. mails bring evidence of his work in the postal subscription cards that come in, and his reports are encouraging. Slowly but surely old Georgia is yielding to our efforts. Comrade Mailly reports that Ray is busy Georgia is a hard field we will keep South Carolina has two locals now, which with some effort will ensure us a ticket there next year. I reeman has returned from a propaganda tour of the northwestthat the Socialist philosophy is the most ern part of Alabama, during which time he has sustained his record of spiendid work. His trip reached to Florence

. THE DRUM CONTEST.

New here's a nice state of affairs. Three locals responded on the drum contest for the week ending Nov. 28, the two leading ones being tied. The local at Oip, Okla-homa, sent 12, and Local Terre Haute, lad., sent 12. The other local is Mentone, Calif., with 11. Here are 1600 locals in the United States, who let a valuable set of instruments worth \$20 ge for so small a number of subscribers. We said go, but the set can't go until we settle this tie The proper way to adjust a matter of this kind, is to draw lets, so we have written to each local asking permission to put their two names in a hat, and have one of union girls draw one, her eyes being blindture we will adopt this method of settling ties without correspondence. So far this week there are no entries for the drums. and the probabilities are that some local will drop in with a half dozen and get a prize worth more to you in the coming campaign than anything you could have. Where you call a meeting, distribute some sub blanks and get busy? Get your membership to doing something. It's the best plan in the world to keep up interest.

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at 25 cents a copy. Four subs for a \$. Send the names.

Labor unions without a political program are like ships without rud-

increasing number of working people are waking up to the bunco game of

Last year the Illinois Central railroad published with a great flourish that it showed about \$29,000,000 in profits, and that no better evidence of prosperity could be found. The fool voters believed this evidence of their being skinned as evidence of their prosperity. Well, the boys up in lowa voted the railroad tickets as usual, One of them at Waterloo writes the Appeal that the company has posted notices that because of "not being able to make both ends meet," that the shop men would be cut down to eight hours with only four days a week! These shop men had voted the good old G. O. P. ticket, too! Well, they must like their diet. Got just when they voted for. Vote her some more

The election returns show that an the politicians and clericals.

boys. You have too much to cut yet

. Four subs for a \$. Bend the names.

Socialist books must be read and discussed around the firesides these reward for treason to his fellow-workers-financial reward, we mean? What pay does he get for the contempt of mankind? Had he been wise, he would must show that Socialists have done their duty. In doing that duty, they have seen that nine out of ten men, led on by the clusive hope of some day being above want and poverty themselves and of leaving such a heritage to their children, finally come to the point, when, broken with hardships, worn out with the struggle, tired and full of despair, they must admit failure. In their declining years, as they feel their grasp upon life slowly slipping from them, how bitter it is to find that they must transmit to the backs of their children-unlightened by their own long efforts-the bu-dens which they have borne through life. O, the folly of a workingman trying to escape alone from the trials and hardships of our industrial system. O, the stupidity of the world's toilers in laying up wealth-or rather, in trying to lay up wealth-in the hope that they can buy insurance for themselves and those

they love against the burdens which are the common lot of their class. In nine cases out of ten, the man who hopes to be the "lucky one" to stand upon the bended backs of the "unfortunate nine." finds himself at last pressed down by the weight of one a little stronger than himself. So, the wise man sees the failure of such efforts. Even if he should be the "lucky one," he sees day after day the hundreds of stolen legacies and scores of wasted inheritances, and they make an impression on his mind. He is not fool enough to think his case will prove in exception. If for a moment disposed to pay the awful price, he is forced to see that he cannot purchase immunity and protection even at the cost of treason to his class. So the man who pays for this book has cast his lot with his class, and will work for the emancipation of all the world's toilers from wage slavery.

He will go up or down with them. His desire now is to callguten the world concerning the aspirations of the working people, and to arouse the working people themselves to a realization of their power. The working people do have aspirations and they do have power. He wants them to use their power when it is greatest; when they are young and strong. He would impress upon them at that time, facts which he knows will be impressed later on in the hard school of experience. He wants their assistance before old age and scribity have palsied their hands and destroyed their influence; before their own children have begun to talk of "the old man's second childhood."

The workingman does have aspirations, too, He has stopped amidst the whirring machinery of the factory and caught the vision of a nobler life; he has brushed the soot and dirt from his face and straightened up like a man intent upon sharing in the glories of the world. Previously trained to think that there is not enough for all and that some must go without the things which make life comfortable and happy, he has witnessed the awful injustices of our system, concluding they were wrongs to be endured, since they could not be cured. Now he is waking up to the fact that there is abundance for all. One of McKinley's cabinet officers said the people of this country, working ten hours a day, can supply all the needs of the people for a year by six month's work. Chauncey M. Depew said in the Republican Convention in Philadelphia in 1900, that the working people of this country produce annually Two Billion Dollars more than they can consume. The workingman has grown angry and disgusted, and wants to know why the people who produce this abundance of wealth are not allowed to consume it. This workingman, whom the capitalist politician talks about as a thriftless, intemperate, extravagant and ungrateful beast, is waking up to the fact that he is being robbed under the present system. He is learning that the men who live of his labor have a contempt for him because he works hard and has nothing. He is beginning to see that he is despised for his poverty by those who cause it. He begins to see that his little girl has only one linsey dress because some idler's daughter must have a dozen silk ones; that his little boy must work ten hours a day amidst the noise and dust of the factory, because some idler's son must be a Little Lord Fauntleroy; that his wife must scrub and wash and wear calico dresses because some idler's wife must loll around on downy couches, clad in gowns of "Parisian creation;" that he must carry home Thanksgiving and Christmas to his expectant famtly, a small chicken, because some idler's wife must send home to his overfed family a half dozen turkeys.

All these things cause our workingman to think. He begins to want some of life's comforts and happiness for himself and his family. He begins to realize that his wife and children are as good as the idler's family, (doubtless, better) and that they love the good things of life as much as anybody. He begins to ask, "Who has a better right to these things than the one who produces them?" Then he sets his teeth with determination and says, "We shall have them." He means it, too,

The way be intends to accomplish that result is told in this book and the others which will be sent to you as soon as you have finished reading this one, unless you do not care to read any more on the subject. We advise you to read it. The world's history for the next generation will be an account of how the working people freed themselves from wage slavery. You should post yourself upon the conditions under which this mighty conflict will be waged. If you do that, we have no doubt when the critical moment arrives and you are forced to take sides, either in the ranks of the world's workers, or those who seek to live off the workers, we have no doubt but what you will take a stand beside the man who is struggling to provide his own, not with senseless luxuries, but with bread and warm clothes, and a shelter from the winter's chill.

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long winter nights. When the votes are counted next November, the result

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In his efforts to provide for those he loves there lie before him two courses of action: one the individual; the other the social. One or the other of these he must take. He may try to climb upon the shoulders of his brother workers, raising himself out of the want and misery, the poverty and despair of his toiling comrades. He may shut his eyes to the pathetic sorrows of other wives, and deafen his ears to the plaintive pleadings of other children than his own. He may grit his teeth and say: "I'll make a way for my own, and let the others do the best they can." Either he must pursue that course, or, spurning the bribe of individual salvation, he must cast his lot with his fellow workers, sharing with them the hardships and life worth fighting for, and he is right, sufferings of their class, as it buttles forward to economic freedom for all. P. S. We will tell you what to do

Suppose he pursues the former course, what'is the result? What is his us you have finished reading it, The section of the section

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### The Man Who Is Knocked Out

By One Of Them 

When you see a poor devil like this think what his fate is, under the pre-

vailing systems of treating the sick,



There is practically no provision made by the community to either cure lief or care for him. The greater his affiction or the more helpless he is, the greater powers he must possess to furnish meney for a cure. The greater his misfortune the more he is expected

Victims suffer for years in both fesh and purse. At last a surgical operation becomes absolutely necessary. more the surgeon charges him for performing it. Operations that require but an hour or two of time often cost more than the patient, when in health, puld save in a year of steady employ-

Not only does the government leave one in the wheel chair, do you stop to the victim to the mercies of the money fiends, but it actually protects them in their extortionate charges.

The afflicted and helpless are exploited and robbed more effectually than any other class.

This fellow in the chair paid more for it than an able bodied man pays for a buggy, or a farm wagon or a bi-

An unfortunate who has lost a limb is charged from seventy-five to three hundred dollars for an artificial one, made from a piece of buckeye cord wood.

A patient pays a doctor two dollars for a call, fifty cents for a prescription, before he knows what kind of drug to buy, then he pays in many instances a hundred times more for the drug than it really cost, with no assurance or guarantee that it will give him re-

If he is sent to a hospital he is charged from ten to twenty dollars per week for services rendered him.

If a surgical operation is performed he is charged from fifty to five hundred dollars for it.

All kinds of misleading and false advertisements of "sure cures" are sent broadcast over the land, many of them Tife is endangered without it. The for no other purpose than to extort peration itself is a dangerous one. money from the afflicted and the suff-The more dangerous to the patient the ering. The government not only perering. The government not only permits this to be done but actually protects and aids the advertiser in dispossessing the already helpless of what they may yet possess.

These are facts that need no proof. But this is the best that can be ex-



NIGHT WORKERS OF THE SWEAT SHOPS.

Hark to the steps of the toller's threag, As they pase neath the arc-light's glare. Their shoulders are steeped, and they plod

along, With seldom a laugh, a jest, or a song, To lighten their weight of cara.

Onward they tramp o'er the busy trail, The twilight of age, and the morn of youth, Their faces are baggard, their lips are pale, Their hollow eyes tell a mournful tale
Of a selfish world's untruth.

Sweating and toiling night by night Earning their bread for the coming day, Serfs of poverty, slaves of might, Hopelessly tolling beneath the light Of the gas-jet's flickering ray.

Intellects warped by the drudging toll, Squalor and rags their heritage, Victims of Greed in the world's turmoil. For breeding of crime a goodly soil, With Want as its parentage.

into a life of toll they co Out from a life of want they go; They've given their all, a questioned sum, So back to the elements whence they come-To the potter's field, with its unmarked

And the grave of a pauper low.

No pleasure in life for the sons of toll, Though their sturdy hands are the ene

which row
The ship of wealth, they receive no spoli
Save the ceaseless grind and the poissuing Of the galley slave, while their masters

O'er the wealth which their slaves bestew. Hark to the sound of the shuffing feet;

Note the rags and the unkempt hair. From cradle to grave their lives replets.
With silent tragedy made complete By the ache of a dull despair. -Donald McRoyce, Springfield, Ma.

FOR WOMEN TO THINK ABOUT.

A woman suffrage catechism, by Lucy stone, modified to suit the present time. Question—Shall the men and women who are to obey the laws of California have a

right to make them? -Ne; only the men shell have Answer-Q-But there must be laws that especially

encern women. Who shall make those Only men shall make them.

Q-May not mothers help make the faws -They shall not. The men shall have

the sole right to make such laws.

Q-May not married wemen help make
the laws that decide what share of the property acquired by a busband and wife during
marriage shall belong to the wife?

A—They shall not.

Q—May not wemen help make the laws that decide how they shall control and dispose of their own property?

A—No; men shall do that.

Q—May not tax-paying women tielp to
make the laws that determine how their
property shall be taxed and have a weice is
saying what shall be done with the taxes?

saying wint anali be done with the taxes?

A.—No: men alone shall determine.

Q.—Who shall make the laws that decide how, and how much, a wife may will of her own property?

A.—The men.

Who shall make the laws that decid the right of married partners in case of marriage, divorce and alimony?

Q-By the laws that men have m the father and mother have an equal legal right to their children?

A—No; the right of the father is su-preme so long as he lives with his wife. Q—If the husband die before the wife, what share of the property earned by them jointly during their marriage belongs to thousands live in poverty, misery, tor- doctors' success depends really upon ture and helplessness because they the amount of money he can extort

Q-If the wife dies first, what share of the community property belongs to the bus-

All of It.

-Who made this law?

A.—They do.

Q.—How long did it take to secure that

A.—Three years.
Q.—May a widew now be buried in the

A-She may.
Q-How long did it take to secure that

A-Ten years.
Q-is there any political party that claims for women the same political rights it claims for men?

cialma for men?

A—There is: the Socialist party.

Q—What should all women who believe their own enfranchisement do then?

A—Join and work for the Socialist party.

FROM THE "ALAMO" CITY.

San Antonie, Texas. Dear Comrade:—We have no Womas

I have been speaking for the Socialists in this city since last June, and at every lec as men. Our founday night meetings present something the appearance of a religious service—all are so serious and extract in their desire to see the work for humanity for on. We have musical selections, recitations and about talks by the members, healdes the lectures.

1 cms me. There

can see that Socialian is fast growthy favor in this part of the country and wennes especially are waking up to their roots. Yours truly, LAURA B. PAYNE.

Women and labor unions—these the capitalists will keep out of politics just as long as they can. Wender why?

A gustleman writing to this department any: "Your position concerning women and Socialism is correct. They must be counted to be wen. I "larve found it so."
True, and who taught them is WAIT until they ARR coupled?—Bon't blame the wo-

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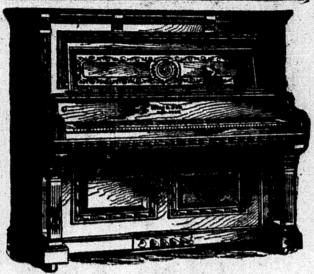
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### fact that the trades unions turned down the Socialist proposition that the laborer adopt political action as a means to settle his troubles. It is strange, isn't it, that capitalists so aggidvously warn women and is talists so assiduously warn women and in-boring men against the evils of politics, while they are not a bit shy in legislating to further their own selfish interests. Looks rather 'spicious to us.

I fall to understand how women who are gentle, women who are mothers, women who gentie, women who are mothers, women who have hearts and souls—wemen who CARE, can sit placidly in their homes discussing trifles, or can go tretting about from one "social function" to smother, while abread in the land men are playing fast and loose with select laws, with age-of-consent laws, child he or and other laws that touch and indusing the very foundations of society. I say T do not see how GOOD women can do it.

### LABOR AND ITS PRODUCTS.

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What is this gaunt black arm, which, like the bony hand of death, stands between labor and its products? Why is it that in spite of all the arts and sciences, despite the greatest productivity the world has ever known, our wise men point mourafully to the flithy tenements with their swarming population of ill clad, ragged wretches, gazing hungrily into the shop windows at the things made by labor, but not for labor? Why does the grean of agony go up from the someter walls of tomb-like grisons where ten thousand convicts pray for death? What is the cause back of the effect, that sends the mirthless taughter of fallen wones, mingled with blaring music, the climp of beer ginness, and the ouths of dranken men out into the darkness of the night, to lose itself in the stupid ears of a drunken lose itself in the stupid ears of a drunk

lose itself in the stupid ears of a drunken burn staggering down an alley through drifting mow? One shivering hewsbey, trying to keep warm under the les side of a closed church till he sells his last extra, condemns the whole system—and there are thousands of them.

Why do we find in the hearts of men the hatred, born of greed, that does not hesitate to rob the widow and the orphan, that works old women until far into the night having at stevarities wages on sweat shop clothes; that sends old men to the police station to be packed like animals, in damp, grewsome cells, to pass away the night anid a hell of steach, picking living vermin from their bodies, listaning living vermin from their bodies, listan-ing to a pandemonium of snores from fel-low unfortunates, and breathing the awful oder of the great unwashed, until daylight shall turn them hungry into the streets, to starve, to beg—to steal?

shall turn them hungry into the streets, to starve, to beg—to steal?

We turn to the soliticians and statemen of our genration and we are told of the free trade, free sliver, expansion, single tax, pranisition, government evenevable and religion. We sigh and turn away. So many doctors and so little remedy. The social body is sick. Its whole tabric is a mass of sores and sortunities. Bound the world rings the cry, "I, I, Chang, cheng, Money, money-4".

One of the results of capitalistic centralisation is the unemployed problem. To been

### THE SOUVENIR WATCHES. We have not said much in these col-

umns lately about the souvenir watches, though we have sent out many of them to those who have purchased the 260 cards required as the fulfillment of their pledge. In every case we have received letters of thanks, and expressions of delight. A common phrase has been. "The watch is a beauty, far beyond my expectations." Comrade, you surely have not thought that the Appeal would send out anything cheap or tawdry, after having promised so much. We are not built that way. The watch is a beauty, but it is not the watch that is valuable, it is the engraving and motto on the case. The writer of these lines would give a great deal to have one of these watches, but it does not lie in his power to possess one, even though he is a member of the Appeal staff, These watches cannot be bought, they must be earned by faithful service for Socialism. It seems to me, comrades, if I were where you are I would have one of these watches, and I would never let up till I had captured the necessary scalps. There is about four months remaining before the last man who entered will be barred forever from securing this beautiful souvenir. Everybody will have till January 1st, regardless of the date of your entry, but after that date, you must conform to the conditions. For example, if you signed the pledge on the 12th day of January you must make good by uary 12, 1904. We write these per no one may say that he has been barred out, and deprived of his prize.

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### SOCIALIST PARTY PLATFORM

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The Socialist party in national convention as sembled readman its underence to the principle of International Socialism, and declares its alive to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party with the object of conquering the powers of novernment, and using them for the purpose of transforming the present wystems of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people. Formerly the tools of production were simple, and owned by individual workers. Today, the machine, which is an improved and more developed fool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. The ownership snables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever increasing uncertainty of livelineed and the power; and misery of the working class, and divides notely into two horitic classes—the capitalists and wage workers. The once powerful middle class is applied, igaspearing in the mill of compessition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives the capitalist the control of the powerment, the press, the pulpit, and he schools, and enables them to reduce the working class.

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the protestrate. We discretore consider it of the sum of importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working blass to sure per all active efforts of the working blass to but the fits condition and to elect Sectalists to puttical offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end.

As such means we advocate:

1. The public ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities, as well as of all industries controlled by utilities, as well as of all industries on properties to the controlled by the controlled of taxes on the property of the capitalist class, but to perpett of the course of the employee, and to improvement of the service, and diminishing of the hours of labor derived and diminishing the rates to the consumers.

2. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wazars in order to decrease the share of the capitalist and increase the share of the worker in the product of labor.

2. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, eichness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose to be collected from the revenue of the capitalist class, and us to administered under the control of the working class.

4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, public credit to be used for that purpose, in order that the workers be secured the full product of their labor.

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FRANK SENCE,

Terre Haute, Ind.

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### What Shall Be the Attitude of the Christian Church

Toward the Social and Industrial Problems of the Day?

By Thos. C. Wiswell

tablish a kingdom of heaven on earth, blood of the people. and as a consequence was crucified by those whose material interests he at-

Jesus saw that the children of God brotherhood on earth could be accomplished. He called this enemy Satan. Influenced by a false theology, this word in the minds of many Christians now often used to signiof spirit evil vague human life. But this was not Jesus' meaning. To him "Satan" meant the spirit of evil in the individual and in society. Jesus used another word to express his thought. It signifies the Syrian God of riches. The word was mammon. The service of Satan in this form was so repulsive to the Master, that on one occasion he told his hearers that it was impossible them to serve both God that they could mammon; love luxury and riches, and bow down before the power of wealth, and at the same time be servants of the God he worshipped. We are told by Luke that upon his making this statement some wealthy religious teachers who stood near "turned up their noses at him." They soon afterwards killed him. He was too dangerous a man to have amongst the commen people.

And so it has been from very early times. Mammon has ruled the world against every effort to overcome him He obtained his first grip upon human life when he became a landlord; and his second, and most accursed grip, when he was able to compel his fellow men first as chattel and later as wage slaves, to labor for him on the land, in the factories and mines, on the means of transportation, and as soldiers in his armies. From the day when this victory was achieved the servants of mammon have largely had their own way. The wars of Europe with all their bloodshed, were caused scarcely at all by opposition to his rule. The servants of their god were struggling for a larger share of the spoil, and at the same time inspiring the masses of their subjects with a stronger PATRIOTISM,

Mammon got control of the Roman church, and, using it to defeat the very purpose for which it claimed to exist, kept the masses of the people in a condition of superstition and ignorance Against every teaching of Jesus, this church, and after the Reformation. most of the Protestant churches, taught two false doctrines which made the people the slaves of the false god whom they ignorantly worshipped.

The first was the doctrine that the people should, as Christians, submit to injustice, poverty and ignorance, for themselves and their children, in this world, because it was God's will that these things should be, and obedience to His will was necessary in order to gain a life of eternal happiness in the next world. Disobedience of God would mean eternal anguish

This lash is usel even today in some parts of the world by certain churches in order to keep the masses of the the teacher who dared to have a philpeople in subjection; and is used with

telling effect. The second false teaching which the churches, in order to protect mammon, in his expleitation of God's children constantly asserted, was a doctrine of divine providence, by which the people were led to pray to God that His kingdom might be established on earth but were told at the same time that God as a Spirit not in but apart from humanity, could and would answer that prayer when He saw fit to do so. Meanwhile these blind slaves were in the words of a hymn which is sung even today in some of our churches,

"Wait, meckly wait, meckly wait and murmur not!"

while all the time they were being as truly robbed of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as was the poor man on the Jericho road. The difference was merely one of method.

In these and other ways mammor was able to use an justitution called the church of God to further his own ands, by binding with chains of ignorance and superstition, not the hands and feet (for he needed the labor of these), but the minds and hearts of the masses of the people.

Now, during all this time, there were many earnest men and women who, as true disciples of Jesus, sought to throw off the heavy burden which mammon placed upon the people. But their lives were cut off and

those who were destroyed in the strug- the masters as the slaves, gle, for very many had died before him in his own and in other lands; but as the one great enemy of the children of had one great enemy to oppose and Christians we place his name at the God, brings us now to the last prelimovercome before the era of peace and head, and then write under his the inary question: What is the weapon, names of thousands who have lost and the only weapon, which Jesus their lives because of their opposition gave to his disciples with which to to this Satan.

> Now, what was the nature of the struggle?

in its last analysis, it has been a he mean? Certainly he did not instruggle between truth and untruth, tend to put into the hapds of his dis-Mammon knew and knows today that cipes a sword of steel. The church when the masses of the people come has too often encouraged the use of to understand the truth concerning that weapon against the expressed adthese things, his power will be destroy-

come the deceiver. The increased in- blade of burnished steel in the hands telligence and independence of the peo- of the greatest warrior the world has ple makes this the only method by ever known. The sword of Jesus is which to extend the length of his now TRUTH; very uncertain existence. He has played a shrewd and bold game. (Cf. Luke 16:1-16). He has been largely successful in obtaining control of the agencies which mould public opinion.

Through money paid for advertisements, and in other ways much less legitimate, the important journals of the country, when not owned outright, have been largely controled by mam-

As present eccesiastical methods demand a large outlay of money to construct the expensive buildings and to sy the running expenses of our larger churches and theological seminaries, nammon has usually been able without great difficulty to influence these institutions in the choice of teachers and preachers subservient to his in-

He has lavished large portfons o his surplus capital, exploited from the social labor of the world, (often the abor of little children who should have been in school), in the endowment of institutions of learning; and he has, by this means, obtained control of them; since no institution supported by mammon is likely to employ teachers who will reveal his methods of exploitation, or do anything that would tend to remove the source of his power.

It is a part of the plan, of course, that the beneficiaries of these institutions and the masses of the people shall be led to believe that all this generosity (?) is in the interest of knowledge. Hence great stress is laid upon the importance of certain departments of knowledge. For instance, mammon has always been an ardent supporter of the humanities, because these branches make no attack upon his accumulated prerogatives; while he has been able till within a hundred years to make the study of modern science and political economy very unpopular except in certain schools where the teachers were under complete control. Mammon has also supperted the study of theology, law medicine, modern languages, music, etc., because all of these conserved the interests and added to the pleasure of his class. But he has always feared osophy of history, and in our own the department of biology has increasing difficulty is with the departments of Sociology, political science and economics, though not so much in the endowed colleges, where he still a greater or less degree, as in the state a whole. These departments of knowledge, aided by biology and paychology, will doubtless bring about the downfall of our false god, and will be the chief instrument in God's hands in His purpose to establish on earth Jesus' kingdom of justice and peace. That this long looked-for event will occur is now quite certain, when it will occur depends somewhat upon the power of the deceiver to continue to deceive the people, but a thousand times more upon the intelligence and

It must be remembered that although all these statements are true and apply directly to the great capitalist class, yet no single member of that class is to be blamed for carrying out a policy which his whole training and education have led him to believe is good. He is to be condemned only in so far as he is a hypocrite. Paul said ciples of Jesus will demand that they long ago, in writing to Timothy, that "evil men and imposters shall wax shall receive the full fruit of his la-

then of the world.

Jesus of Nazareth attempted to es-|dom to extort wealth from the life are the disciples of mammon are after all not so much "the deceivers" as Jesus does not head the long list of they are "the deceived." Not so much

> Our rapid survey of the field, and of overcome Satan?

He said, "Think not that I came to cast peace on the earth; I came not to state is able to give him; for it will Every student of history knows that cast peace, but a sword." What did monition of its Master. To perform its task the sword of Jesus must be in-Hence in modern times he has be- finitely more powerful than any PLAIN, UNVARNISHED TRUTH. The sword of steel has never lifted a human soul nearer to God, but has always forced the world backward toward a darker savagery. Truth, on the other hand, is the only weapon which has destroyed in any detail the power of the enemy of God and lifted any portion of humanity out of the darkness of the past,

> Truth, then, is the weapon of the Christian soldier. But, until the present century, organized Christianity has not been so much afraid of anything else, as it has of this weapon which Jesus of Nazareth would have placed in its hands to be used in offensive warfare. Those inside and outside of the church who would have used the weapon, the church, or "the world-rulers of this darkness," has destroyed; and many times both church and state have seemed to cast truth from them altogether.

How, then, shall the young people of our churches get this weapon, which alone can solve all our social and industrial problems, and as Jesus said, not only free themselves but free the world from the power of mammon?

First, they must "prove all things hold fast that which is good (true)." No statement should be accepted from any person or any book (not excluding the Bible itself), without a challenge to its reasonableness and its truth. We must find out what is true at all cost, Jesus, as he speaks through the spirit of truth in the lives of men, is the final authority. A man's own intelligence and conscience is for him the last court of appeal. The statements of all men, including John, Peter and Paul, are

to be given this test. Second, young men and women are not to allow themselves to be sidetracked in their search for the truth. To this end, special attention must be given to the study of biology, sociology, economics and political selence. To obtain the truth which these subjects have for us, a college education is not necessary, in fact there are very few endowed colleges today that are free to teach what is true and knewn to be true in these departments of knowledge. There are intelligent workingmen who are better informed concerning the princioften made him dizzy. His constantly ples of political and social science than is the average college graduate. Good common sense, with a few good books, and a determination to find out what is true, will give to every continues to control the teachings to young man and woman the weapon of Jesus himself, to be used with wonuniversities, which are being more derful effect, for its influence spreads and more controlled by the people as like fire, and will consume all that is

evil. This, then, is the answer to the question with which we began. Young men and women are to search out the true principles of action, and then apply them. Christian disciples are not to encourage restrictive reform legislation, for such legislation has never succeeded and never can succeed. When they find out that all forms of exploitation, speculation and commercialism are robbery, they will not be likely to say that where great energy of the true disciples of Jesus, extertion is wrong, any extertion is co-operating with the great mass of right. They will blame the coal the working peaple of the nation, and dealer, in a business which is precarious, because he takes large profits from those who want his coal, and at the same time recognize the landlord's right to sell his real estate at a profit of even a thousand per cent upon a

> When they know the truth that all cal campaigns and it wealth is produced by productive labor, co-operating with nature, the disas laborers, and that every laborer

perfectly safe investment.

feed, and mammon will have lost his power forever; for private capitalism is only possible when productive labor is exploited.

Then the struggle between riches and poverty, between organized capital and organized labor will cease for all will be workers, each work ing for the good of all; and all will be capitalists, each owning and controlling his just share of the wealth of the nation. Poverty and ignorance with their long list of resulting evils, will disappear from the earth. Old age will be a condition of blessed rest and freedom, surrounded with whatever it loves most, rather than a condition of constant worry and privaton and dependence. Every child will receive the best education which the then be to the interest of all that every citizen shall be as efficient as it is possible for him to be; and every man and woman will be given the employment which he most desires, and which he is best fitted to perform.

Then, for the first time in the history of the world, will the conditions laid down by Jesus have been carried out, and then will his promise to his disciples begin to be fulfilled in the realization of the fatherhood of God. of the brotherhood of man, and of the era of universal peace. This and nothing less than this is the goal toward which the eyes and minds of all true disciples of the Master must turn, if they actually desire an an- ter." swer to the prayer Jesus taught them and which they have been praying aimlessly for nearly two thousand kingdom

There will always be problems for the children of men to solve, but the one great problem before us now as the beginning of this twentieth century, which holds within its grasp the solution of most of the moral problems that confront the world, IS THE PROBLEM OF THE JUST DISTRI-BUTION OF WEALTH AND OF OP-PORTUNITY. And this is no longer PROBLEM: it is a WARFARE-

between private capitalism and productive labor; between injustice and justice; between money and man; between mammon and God. No. 'peace" that is worthy the name can be possible till this warfare has been finished, and man and God have claimed and possessed their own.

For further study read the following literature:

Bible: Book of Micab, chapters III and IV.

Bible: Book of Amos, George Adam Smith: "The Book f the Twelve Phophets, Vol. I."

Bible: Book of Luke: 4:16-22; :20-49; 19:41-44; 18:1-30. Bible: Book of Matthew; 20:1-16,

Bible: Book of John; 7:45-49. Bible: Epistle of James; 5:1-6, Bellamy: Equality.

Vandervelde: Collectivism. Ruskin: Unto This Last. Marx: Chap. VII. Parts IV, V, VI,

III and VIII. Sprague: Socialism from Genesis

Revelation. Engels: Socialism; Utopian and Scientific.

Engels: Origin of the Family,

### A SOCIALIST DOG.

Appeal to Reason: Our G. O. P. ity attorney owns a well trained dog and one of the comrades, knowing this, and seeing his dogship visiting with a pack

of Indian

one side

and said:

"Here!



home to your master, quick," handing him an Appeal, which the dog seized and truck out for home. Finding the loor shut he scratched for admission and at once delivered his valuable ackage. His master, in telling it, aid he looked at it and became intersted at the cartoons and finally the orinted matter, and says he read it all and then said: "Them d-d Socialists are driving their spikes most awfully

Comrades, train your dogs, also the G. O. P. neighbor's dogs, and do with them all as was done in this case "HORTENSE"

### PARRY ON SOCIALISM.

firect."

The time will probabic come, if it is not already near at hand, when, balked in their attempts to over-ride the laws and institutions of our country by main force, the Socialistic leaders of labor will endeavor to swing their following into the political field with the end in view gaining their demands through the ballot box. We should not desire to see Socialism made a prominent issue in our politia circulation of a million copies. If the people who wish to overturn our form of their writings burned. The church and imposters shall wax shall receive the full fruit of his later with the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the bands of mammon, and restrict the substitution of the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the bands of mammon, and the state were both in the state wer

### able to find workers upon whom to possocianisaciones con accompanies a Pa Teaches Young America How Prosperous the Workingmen Are

By G. H. Lockwood

now?

Pa, swelling up: "Why, certainly, on. Didn't we elect our party to office last time and save the country? Prosperity! Well I should say yes, with a big 'P."



want to know play a while?" prosperity?"

an easy one and if you really don't know I will have to tell you. The

workingmen want prosperity so they an have good jobs and good wages.' "Well, isn't it the good jobs and ood wages they really want?"

"I suppose it is, my boy, but it real-

y amounts to the same thing; prosperity means good jobs and good wages for everyone. "Say, pa; have you got a good job

and good wages?"

"Well-er-why- no, not exactly; that is, it might be a good deal bet- OUR TEACHER, kid, every fool

"Well, pa, why don't you get a good job like all the rest of the workingmen have got?"

"Why, drat it, kid! I've got as good job as most of them now, and a darned sight better than a good many that I know of."



prosperity, is it?" Pa looks troubted for a while then hap-

pens to remember something: "Oh, yes! We have prosperity, PRESIDENT that is to say the

y prosperous. Why, our exports are normous and our surplus products-"Say, pa, do you ever have any exports?"

SOME DAY country is wonderful-

"No."

"Or any surplus products?" "No."

"Well, pa, who is it that has all the

xports and surplus products and all those things?" "Well, those things go to the capi-

talists." "Why do they go to the capitalists,

"Well, they belong to the capitalists cause-because-why, because they furnish the tools to work with-and the factories to work in and the land and capital, etc." "Do the cap-



THE CAPITALIST. didn't make the land, but they own it," | not.

things, pa?"

ditchell! Gompers and Mitchell are loing all in their power to prevent the net what Parry is abor is through its own organization. That the capitalists know and have evcontinue to give its confidence to workleaders who work in the interest, follow the program, of their oppressors?

### DIFFERENTIAL WAGE.

Parry party?

in your reply to R. J. T. of Aberdeen, ash. "Wages Under Socialism," it seems me you overlook one point: Will there in the time check value Wash. Wages Under Socialism. It seems to me you overlook one point: Will there not be a difference in the time check value of two men working at the same thing, one doing twice the work in the same time as the other? In other words, in any department of industry will there not be a scale of some kind of the amount of work that must be turned off to constitute a day's work? If not, what stimulus for inlocking become efficient? Would not inefficiency become the rule, demoralizing all industry? C. E. Obenchain, Greenville, Teaas. Whether or not there will be a scale of

work will depend on the workers who will make their own regulations regarding ALL matters of industry. For my part 1 should have no such scale, unless, after should have no such scale, unless, after trying it was found not to operate and then it should be changed. Under Socialism each worker has an interest in the pro-ducts—and it is the products that are the incentive to produce now, then or any othcal campaigns and it ought to be one of our chief purposes to carry on such an cincational work as shall forestall any such possibility. Why, I am told that there is one Secialist sheet in Kanass that has jorily in a way that would compel them a circulation of a million copies. If the carries who, wish to overture our form of less desirable work. When all employees pass an examination for their calling, the falling below a certain per centage world act as putting them into some less desirable calling, providing there were enough workers BETTER fitted to take their places. This is just what is done today. But the

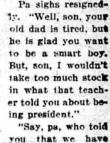
"Say, pa, have we got prosperity | "Well, pa, they could make the tools and the factories, couldn't they?"

Pa, sourly: "Yes, I suppose they could."

"Well, did they, pa?"

"Why-er- see here, boy, I'm getting awfully tired of this nonsense of Well, pa. I yours. Why don't you run out and

why it is to "Pa, I don't want to play. I want the interest of to learn. Our teacher told us that if the working- we would study hard and be real man to have smart every one of us might be president some day. Now please don't get "Well, that's mad, pa, I really want to know."



prosperity in this country? Why, drat it all,

knows that! I told myself."

"Yes, pa, but didn't you ever hear anyone else say we have prosperity besides yourself?" "Why, of course I have! Why, I

heard Banker Skinum and Deacon Preachum talking about it just the other day and they said it was the "Well, pa, it isn't most wonderful prosperity that the true that we have country has ever known." "Well, pa, do



they know any more than my teacher?" Pa suspi-

ciously: "Well spozen they don't, what of it ?" "Oh, nothin" much, pa. only

I was just

DEACON PREACHEM, thinking that perhaps you took too much stock in-"

Pa furiously, reaching for young America: "See here, you young brat! I thought you'd been down to those Socialist meetings again, learning how to insult your old father. Just come out in the wood shed with me. I propose to give you a lesson you won't forget for a month! I don't want any more of this anarkist talk around here and I don't propose to have it.'

(Continued next week.)

When a child is born in Kansas it has a right to a place in the school italists make the land and house with all appliances for development. But when it leaves school it the tools and the other has no place on or in which to exercise its development to make a liv-"Well - er ing except it gives part of that living -why, drat it, to some property owner. I would prekid, you talk fer the right to employment than to like a fool! have an education and be a slave to Of course they some master. But maybe you would

How wonderfully like Gompers and worked would act as a stimulus to each worker. To set a definite task would be like the sweating system in vogue today-only it would be for the benefit of the working class from "GAINING THEIR workers instead of the bosses. I notice that DEMANDS THROUGH THE BALLOT in my employment of labor that those who another employe "soldiering working for. The one place to control fair workmen have no real interest in the matter. Under Socialism each WOULD have a real interest. The wonder is that workmen will do any work today, when they dently been busy doing, Will labor have no interest in the results of their

work—but as a rule they do.

If the value of the product of each worker
is, on the average, \$2,500 per annum, and
the average wages is \$400, how will the full
product of a man's labor be computed under
socialism, when the value of the product is
gauged by the COST OF PRODUCTION?
At present, the \$2,500 represents, to a greatextent, the profits of manufacturer, wholesaler and retailer. With the item of profits
entirely eliminated, would not the value of
production be correspondingly decreased?—
H. P. Hough, Winston-Salem, N. C.
No. If the value of products possible of
production be \$2,500 a vess to each work-Hew long will labor be led by the nose into the voting booths of the

> er, then there would be that much products to each person, regardless of the "value." If you will think of the products as being things instead of money you will see this more clearly. If 1,000 workers see this more clearly. If 1,000 workers catch, prepare and distribute 1,000 pounds of fish, or 1,000 bushels of wheat, there would be one pound of fish or one bushel of wheat for each worker. As explained elsewhere concerning coal, the NEC-ESSARY labor in distributing is as much productive labor as that which digs or runs machines. It is the UNNECESSARY bor, labor that lives yet in no rise aids in production or distribution, that must be got rid of. The value of labor will be the pro-ducts divided by the hours consumed in production and distribution of that pre-

er time. It would be to the interest of the labor cost of producing one bushel of wheat workers to produce as much as possible in is nine minutes; to this must be added any given time, for it would have a tendtime of milling; the time of purting the flour into bread (balf minute per loaf). The cost then of a loaf of bread would be something like half. machinery; the time in transportation; something like half a minute. It is the products produced on this basis that show that a year of 300 days of eight The worth of the products of creased or increased by real ination of profits and warts