Boston's Christmas Greeting

There is some truth in many of the charges that the Appeal Reason makes, but these would have vastly more effect if they were not shouted in such blatant and extravagant language and if they were humanized by the element of good humor. Capitalists may as a class be very arbitrary, but not all the common sense is concentrated in the Debs leaders.

# CLOSING IN TO SLAUGHTER THE APP

HEN President Taft issued his so-called pardon to Fred Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, who had been convicted by a packed jury for an alleged violation of the postal regulations, it was with the tacit understanding that the prosecution would be renewed along lines which would justify itself in the public mind, carry with it a long term penitentiary sentence for not only Warren, the editor, but Wayland, the proprietor, and Phifer, the editorial writer, and at the same time impose such a heavy financial burden upon the Appeal as to sink it into bankruptcy and utterly destroy it.

The previous prosecution resulted in a miscarriage because it was bungled and "balled-up" from the start, and when finally a conviction was reached the whose country was aroused, and that is why President Taft found it expedient

to appear upon the scene with his little pardon.

Profiting by its previous experience, the prosecution at once began to lay its plans for a renewed attack, carefully avoiding the previous blunders which had created such widespread sympathy for Warren and censure for the government. Prosecutor Harry Bone duly made a trip to Washington. Of this we shall have more to say in a later issue. Suffice it to say here that Mr. Bone, according to himself, received his orders and instructions at first-hand from the department of justice at Washington, and accordingly declared that this time there would be no failure to enforce the sentence as well as secure the conviction.

In due time the indictments followed. The grand jury at Fort Scott in the

court of Judge Pollock, under the inspiration of Prosecutor Bone, fresh from the seat of the Taft government at Washington, returned the indictments which carry not only long federal prison sentences but such financial penalties as will

undoubtedly bankrupt and ruin the APPEAL.

To be sure, Warren, owing to his pestiferous persistence, was finally admitted to the grand jury room before the indictments were returned, but this was only the merest, meanest and emptiest formality. Jake Sheppard, Warren's faithful legal adviser and Socialist comrade as well, was not permitted to enter. The cards were all stacked, and within a few minutes after Warren retired, the indictments, all fully prepared and type-written, issued from the inquisition chamber.

And still, notwithstanding the rigid restrictions placed upon him and the disadvantages under which he labored, Warren's brief and stirring appeal made a profound impression upon the jury, so profound in fact that Prosecutor Bone "panic-stricken" lest his carefully laid plans be thwarted then and there, and in his excitement be blurted out to the grand jury about the orders he had received in Washington in reference to the APPEAL case, of which we shall have more to say later on. It is perfectly obvious that if Warren had been allowed anything like a fair chance before the grand jury he would have routed Bone and defeated the indictments in spite of all the heavy odds against him.

It should be remembered that the present case originated, as did the previous one, in the court of the notorious Judge Pollock, knight-errant of the poker-table as well as the bench, and if justice were done this court itself would be on trial for impeachment for the violation of every rule of ethics and every

principle of jurisprudence.

While in Fort Scott during the session of the grand jury Warren inadvertently came into possession of first-hand inside information regarding. Judge Pollock and his court, the proceedings in the jury room, and other doings behind the scenes, both by night and by day, which will throw some startling sidelights on that court, its presiding genius and his satellites when the time comes to disclose it.

## The Postal Persecution

For the present and for the purpose of this preliminary statement of the issue of the impending conflict with the federal authorities, the particular attention of our readers is called to the fact that in the prosecution now pending in the United States court against the APPEAL, the department of justice has been

actively supplemented by the postoffice department. For the past several years the APPEAL has been harassed by the postal authorities as has no other paper been on the American continent. As long as its circulation was small and it was of no actual menace to capitalism it was not molested, although it was conducted then as it is today, with the strictest regard for the postal laws and regulations. But as soon as it began to develop real power and make its blows felt by the politicians and grafters in public office they inaugurated a systematic campaign of persecution against it, subjecting it to every conceivable annoyance and adding steadily and studiously to its financial burdens. From division and department officials and from the general department at Washington came inquiries, precautions, warnings, objections, etc., almost daily, every technicality that could be conjured up being used to embarrass and make more difficult and expensive the transmission of the APPEAL through the mails.

But in spite of all this the APPEAL contrived to keep within the law as con-

and preserve its standing in the mails. The chagrin and discomfiture of the defeated officials, working all the more zealously because of the anticipated reward for "putting it over" the APPEAL may be imagined. But never for a moment has the Washington administration abandoned its determination to shut the APPEAL out of the mails.

Since the indictments have been returned these activities among the postal officials have been renewed in a way to leave no doubt that the two departments, the legal department and the postal department, have combined to make a simultaneous attack upon the Appeal, one by imprisoning its publishers and levying heavy fines upon their property, and the other by shutting the paper out of

Let us see how these postal officials are now manœuvering for position to attack the APPEAL from their quarter.

First, the postmasters all over the country are now returning copies of the APPEAL which they claim they are unable to deliver. Under a law passed by congress last year the Appeal is required to pay one cent on each copy so returned. The law requires the postmaster to wait five weeks after notifying the publisher to discontinue the paper and if then it is still mailed to return such copies and collect postage. The APPE of has discovered thousands of cases where the postmaster utterly disregarded this law, returning the papers the same week or the week following the notice of discontinuance. Out of one hundred and fifty cases in which investigation by the postoffice department was forced under the law, they found only twenty-three that were bona fide, the rest being of the thousands which originated under no law, but in pursuance of the silent conspiracy to cripple and kill the APPEAL. Thousands of returned copies are piled up in the postoffice at Girard, but thus far the Appeal has absolutely refused to pay postage on these dead copies. What the final outcome will be-remains to be seen, but it is not difficult of prediction if the conspiring department feels safe in following up this line of attack to its conclusion.

## Law by "Rulings Directed at Appeal"

Second, the postmaster general has recently issued an order requiring the APPEAL to divide its mailing lists into 1,600 distinctive mail routes-that is to say, classify its mail just as the postal clerks do on railway mail trains. For instance, all the papers that go through the Cincinnati postoffice to the northeast, the east and the southeast, must be sacked in Girard and the sack so labeled that when this mail reaches Cincinnati it is already distributed so it can be placed on all the respective out-going trains. Imagine the complex system it will require to keep track of every mail-route in the United States! It is a mechanical impossibility to comply with this order except at a tremendous expense and even then it is doubtful if room and facilities can be provided in Girard for its

It is true that this order applies to city dailies, but it is quite simplified in their case as they have only to divide their mail into the routes proceeding from the city in which they are published. Large papers like Collier's and the Saturday Evening Post are not nearly affected to the same extent that the APPEAL would be, because they use the news stands and express, and, moreover, their subscription price enables them to do things that would be impossible to the

If this rule is enforced against the APPEAL every change of time on any mail-train in the United States would necessitate a complete readjustment of mail-ing plans in that territory, and it is estimated that if the APPEAL has to be mailed in accordance with this new order the additional cost will be not less than \$10,000 year, to say nothing of the interminable confusion which would arise from it.

The superintendent of the mails at St. Louis has just issued notice to the APPEAL that this new order is imperative and that it must be enforced. If that is true there are but two things for the APPEAL to do and that is to raise the price of the APPEAL or abandon its publication.

If the department at Washington can devise schemes and enforce rules of its own making which are so expensive, oppressive and burdensome that the Appeal cannot bear them, and gives up the ghost finally, the object of the long and underhanded fight of the authorities will at last have been accomplished.

But the Appeal, is not going to yield without a fight. It is going to resist to the full extent of its fighting capacity every despotic encroachment upon its rights

and every insidious attempt to strangle it.

The Appeal proposes to make the country ring with protests against these tyrannical and outrageous restrictions which are intended as nooses to place about the necks of undesirable publications, and when an honest voice is heard impeaching capitalism and exposing its crimes and corruptions, it can be promptly silenced by a convenient regulation of the postal authorities, and once the APPEAL has its jugular vein severed it will be an easy matter to suppress the rest of the

menace to the capitalist masters.

We have now stated in brief outline the plan of attack of the postal department and in succeeding numbers, which will not be lacking in interesting disclosures, we will present the plan of Field Marshal Harry Bone and his cohorts in the so-called department of justice.

The Appeal cannot lie down in this fight if it would. There is far more than its own life at stake. Were it but the APPEAL itself the mere matter of one Socialist paper more or less would be of comparatively little consequence. But entirely aside from the APPEAL and of infinitely more consequence that the AP-PEAL is the revolutionary movement which is to be throttled by striking down its press, excluding its literature from the mails, suppressing its speech, gagging its lips, and strangling the very life out of its body.

This is what there is at stake in the fight in which the APPEAL is again a ost reluctant participant. In vain has the Appeal sought to evade this conflict by keeping prudently within the most rigid interpretation of the law. It is now clear that the issue has to be met and that the APPEAL must either haul down its colors and surrender unconditionally to the enemy or fight while there is a revolutionary impulse in it or a dollar at its command, and the Appeal has resolved that IT SHALL BE FIGHT.

It is not that the APPEAL publishes matter that other papers do not publish that makes it offensive to the ruling lords of American capitalism, but only because of the loyal army behind it and the vast circulation that enables it to talk to the people loud enough to be heard upon every vital issue that arises between them and the power which fobs and oppresses them.

That is the reason and the only reason why the Appeal is marked for Wall street's deadly bludgeon and why Prosecutor Harry Bone "received his orders in Washington" and is now sedulously at work concocting the legal chicanery to wreak the vengeance of the criminals in public office it has exposed upon the APPEAL TO REASON.

It has not been long since that the Chicago Tribune had an editorial article of denunciation of the administration at Chicago, including the police department, which was so rank and so shocking in its vocabulary that the whole city of Chicago was startled by it. Policemen were called by name and denounced as "the stinking maggots in the rotten carcass of the body politic." This was one of the milder expressions. The expose was personal as well as general and if ever there was language that was offensive, inflammatory, threatening, scurrilous, and calculated not only to injure but to utterly destroy the last vestige of reputation of those it atteked it was that scorching castigation, but no proceeding has been instituted against the Tribune by the federal government. The Tribune is a capitalist paper.

Not one of the articles for which the APPEAL is now under indictment is to be compared to the article in question which appeared in the Chicago Tribune; but only the APPEAL drew the lightning of the authorities and that only because it is a Socialist paper.

The bible itself could be excluded from the mails on precisely the same interpretation that is to be placed upon the law in shutting the APPEAL out of

Stripped of all extraneous matter the issue is, shall the revolutionary press be crushed by the iron heel of capitalism as a means of destroying the revolutionary movement? The APPEAL is merely incidental to the struggle. It has grown up in and out of the movement. It is only the voice of the movement and if it is to escape strangulation it must be by the help of the movement.

## The Issue Joined

Comrades of the APPEAL Army, they are closing in on us and for one I propose that we shall hurl defiance into their teeth and not yield an inch. If they are determined to crush us by force let us compel them to show their hand. In any fair fight the people are with us and we can whip them to a standstill.

They have all the power of capitalism to back them, but that is all. The power we have is infinitely greater if we but exercise it.

We have the power of an aroused people fighting for their liberty to sustain us. We have the power of a just cause which can never be vanquished. We have the power of a revolutionary movement which cannot be turned back. Its leaders may be imprisoned, but its irresistible march to victory cannot be

We shall fight now as we have never fought before. The more APPEALS they throw out of the mails the more we will put into the mails. The more they attack us the more resolute will become our determination to stand our ground and fight for the cause to which we have pledged our lives.

Let them dare to exclude us from the mails and let them dare to put us in We are begging no favors and we do not propose to retreat an inch. prison! We have but spoken the truth and by that truth we stand whether it be in prison walls or on the gallows.

## Editors Indicted

From Buoy, St. Andrews. Flar

Fred D. Warren, editors and publishers are out of jail under bonds to ring in their snoots. of the Appeal to Reason, the Socialist appear in Judge Pollock's court at Ft. paper with a circulation of half a mil- Scott, May 7, 1912. lion copies, published at Girard, Kansas. ticles exposing the brutal and immoral conditions then existing in the federal labor movement generally? penitentiary at Leavenworth; the said jury deciding that obscene language had been used in the exposition.

The writer of this paragraph having read every word of the APPEAL's exposition of the conditions prevailing at the Leavenworth institution, if the said movements, any attempt to crushit or articles contained any immoral or ob- punish its adherents is met with an inscene expression, or anything that should have been omitted in the showing up and retribution, swift and certain to its of the conditions prevailing there, his perspective powers were not equal to discovering them.

in a federal institution, but that they should have been reported direct to the head of the department at Washington, and so informed Mr. Warren, who had been permitted to appear before the jury. Whereupon Mr. Warren respectfully answered that they were so rereported and no attention had been read.

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been used a million times by newspa-pers throughout the United States, But generally down on it. The grand jury sitting in Fort Scott. fact that after said publication, Deputy that there is still poverty in this world Kansas, this month, after a three days Warden Lemon of the penitentiary was of plenty. stormy session returned indictments dismissed and other officers asked to gainst J. A. Wayland, C. L. Phifer and resign, the three men were indicted and

In the light of these proceedings, The indictments charged that, on or about April 20, 1911, these publishers, of Mr. Warren on a similar about wails Secretary Stimson. Always the willfully, maliciously and feloniously, charge, can there be any doubt that a deposited in the United States mails conspiracy is planned by those high in conspiracy is planned by those mgn in authority to crush the Appear while striking a blow at Socialism and the labor movement generally?

The agitation for "national control of the milk supply" a Socialist points out should not be confused with political control of the Public Tit that the the APPEAL to REASON, containing ar- authority to crush the APPEAL while

Are those engineering this movement blind and deaf to the lessons of the late elections and the growing popularity of Socialism, and that Socialism, whether right or wrong is here to stay whether right or wrong is here to stay and that as is the history of all popular Republic cannot get rid of the fact that movements, any attempt to crushit or crease in the strength of the movement, enemies?

But the prosecuting attorney, Bone, in-attracted the jury that a newspaper had no right to expose conditions prevailing all legally honest. But if you are in

people should attend to their own business without the meddling of capitalists.

grafters have had so long. THE St. Louis Republic is the only

And now the masters object because they are teaching Socialism at Oxford university. In the name of heaven, what shall be taught? Surely no respectable teacher can be expected any longer to put out the dope that educated men know to be false. Ir has been stated that one generation men know to be false.



Socialism is a declaration that the people should attend to their own business without the meddling of capitalists.

"Our army is not ready for war rails Secretary Stimson. Always the ray. The people wanting war and the rmy holding back.

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A POLITICAL ASSISTMENT ASSIS

like a dull schoolboy-so hard to get a correct principle in his head.

WHEN a tenant gives his landlord one-third, and out of the balance pays his taxes, his merchant's and monopoist's profits, you wonder why he is poor!

TWO classes are satisfied with conditions—those who have been brutalized by work and poverty and those who live pretty well off other people's toil. To which do you belong?

A SMALL landlord or a small noney lender is just as exacting as greater ones. Do away with a system that makes it a necessity for one set of humans to buy the ase of land or money from another set.

LAWYERS make their living on quarrels between neighbors and crimes. Do you think they want a system devoid of quarrels and crimes? Law-yers control the nation, the state and the country and wear good clothes.

"Art. I've got against Socialism is

A MASTER who starved his slaves lost money but the employer today who starves his workingmen makes bigger profits. Any way you look at it the results of wage slavery is worse than chattel slavery! Jioys, vote it out and be men. Be your own capitalists by voting to have the nation do the business. You are then an equal partner in the firm. No capitalist can then place his price on you and your labor.

they in Russia.

## BULLY FOR THE WOMEN.

Do Socialists condemn suffrage beis not a true Socialist in America who that election. If men have been going through election after election without turning to Socialism, what right have we to be angry at the women because we to be angry at the women because:
they did not stampede to Socialism the
first time they got to vote? The women
will get their eyes open yet and shame
many of the men by their understanding
of public good. Yet even if they did
not, even if they always voted agains:
Socialism. Socialists would favor wo-Socialism. Socialists would favor woman suffrage. They couldn't help it, from the fact that woman suffrage is on the line of further democracy and hence an essential feature of Socialist agitation. Get this idea: Socialists seek only to give both men and women the power over their own lives, the power over their own jobs. We know that when they get this power they may make mistakes; but that makes no difference. They should have the power their own sold that makes no difference. They should have the power their own sold that makes no difference. They should have the power their own sold that the s

"Art I've got against Socialism woman suffrage," writes a comrade from Peru, Ind. This because the women voted against Socialists in Los Angeles after Socialism had given 'em the ballot. Oh, well, men have had the ballot all their lives and they have never voted Socialism in. Why condemn the women for missing if the first shot?

his price on you and your labor.

KINGS, tyrant's and other despots send an army to do their hidding always "to uphold the majesty of the law."

C. M. MARKLEY makes a sensible suggestion to the effect that Socialist locals appoint a committee to visit the county jails, see if the prisoners are getting fair treatment and supply them with literature.

He who is not up on Socialism is generally down on it.

It is a disgrace to the men that be that there is still poverty in this world of plenty.

A Lor of editors are just now writing "ringing" editorials with capitalism's pringing" editorials with capitalism's in the control of plenty.

Do you prefer a system that produces crises idleness, want, hunger, starvation, marder, prostitution, and whose sityocates and benefitive in Russia.

But we know what the character of these laws has been. We know, if we read, that the same infamous laws are now being upheld every time trembling tyrants in the country order out the militia. Oh, this country is coming to a fine pass. Citizens no longer are allowed to assemble in public places and talk over their grievances. Neither are they in Russia.

SOMETHING IS WRONG.

Everybody is now willing to admit there is something wrong with the country. A few years ago they said everything was lovely. Talk to any class of people you wish and you will find talk over their grievances. Neither are they in Russia. state department of agriculture, as to them ready to admit that someth practically end landlordism and unemployment within its confines. It will all depend on whether it wishes to hold Do Socialists condemn suffrage bethe lands perpetually as state property
cause women helped to defeat Socialism and use them. Inasmuch as the general
at Los Angeles? Bless you, no. There
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It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay to send a telegraph

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ployment within its confines. It will all depend on whether it withes to hold the lands perpetually as state property and use them. Inasmuch as the general government is to make similar arrange ments with various other states, it will become possible for these states to help the poor by electing Socialists to the state offices, who are piedged to keep this land public property, lented on favorable terms to the landless.

UN-AMERICAN.

It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay to ride on a railroad. It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay to ride on a railroad. It is un-American for you to permit much more startling than the last.

t much more startling than the last.

There is not lacking evidence that something is going to happen. A few sops which the coming congress may throw to the people will not change the condition. Industries must be taken from private ownership and used for the benefit of the whole people or the conditions will get menacingly worse. You may not like this and may not believe it will solve the problem, but time will force you to do it, just as pressure forced the changes in the so-t cieties of the past.

It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay for rent.

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It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay for street car fare. It is un-American for you to permit a few well fed do-nothings to dictate what you shall pay for any other thing.

WALTER TYLER, the first Socialist mayor elect of New Castle, Pa., is a grandson of General Tyler, hero of the battle of Freedericksburg and a lineal decendant of President Tyler. There is a possibility that the grandchildren of President Taft will be as radical as anybody in the world. Think of \$1.

Appeal in It Again.

HE APPEAL TO REASON, that old battering ram of the Socialist party, is again before the federal and must answer once more to the se of sending obscene, scurrilous defamatory matter through

Wayland, Warren and Phifer have been indicted by the federal grand jury at Fort Scott and another attempt will be made to put the APPEAL out of busi-ness for violation of the postal laws.

The charge this time came about by printing an expose of the moral rotten-ness, graft and mismanagement of the venworth federal prison, charges ch an ex-guard claims he made to United States attorney general and ch two government examiners found 

Sunday school quarterly, but it e desired result and the editors APPEAL will now have to sweat of the APPLAL will now have to sweat or stirring up a cesspool that smells to leaven with its rotteneess. The prose-ution is not going after them on a ibel charge, which they would certainly in if there were the least ground for it, with for sending observe matter through for sending obscene matter through mails, which obscene matter appears are been the truth or the implicated ials would have been justifiable in ng for a shot gun and going after FFEAL outfit in the good old fash-

realise that the P. O. D. is very in regard to the matter allowed its second-class mailing privilege, seems to us that it would be but it seems to us that it would be elastic enough to stretch a little so long as the fruth were told, the people desiring to know about their public officials and ultimately some good might be accomplished by weeding this brand of accurate to the government service. In this case we consider the APPAL has done a good work and the government's correlation booster like the last case against that paper did. Whether we agree with a paper's political policy or not we have a certain amount of respect for an editor who has enough backbone to go up against the hosts of only place they had to put him was

Another thing, Fred D. Warren broke

ictments found against these men were The APPEAL TO REASON simply stated by the some facts in rather plain language, but certainly not in language that would constitute sending obscene matter through the mails. These indictments J. A. Kem APPEAL TO REASON simply stated stitute sending obscene matter ough the mails. These indictments ough the mails. These indictments ough the mails. These indictments ough the bocialist paper, and a net result will be that it will react the federal authority at that place, the federal authority at that place, and the federal authority at the federal aut nd will reflect upon the federal au-norities throughout the United States. "I can readily conceive motives suf-

much of their high-handed work.

The notorious Grosscup resigned because he saw what was coraing, and it was high time for him to resign. The people have tolerated much from the federal judiciary, but will tolerate much less in the future in the matter herein referred to, the indictments found, there is no reason for them and they cannot result in conviction before any honest federal judge. The writer read the articles referred to and they are clearly and absolutely not indictable of fenses, or any offense at all. As a matter of fact the Appear did the general public a great service in the matter and it should be fully appreciated. There rer of fact the Appear did the general public a great service in the matter and it should be fully appreciated. There should be the strongest sort of a proceeding up all over this nation against the outrageous and high-handed procedure in these cases. It cannot be believed that the trial of the men referred to, under the indictments referred to, can ever result in conviction. The law will not warrant it, neither will the facts, and it. law will not warrant it, neither will the facts, and it is impossible for any sane man to believe that the federal judiciary and prosecuting officers have sunk so low as to try to force a conviction not warranted by facts and not warranted by the law.

## Wayland Indicted.

Cotton's Weekly, Cowansville, B. C.
Can—I A. Wayland, Fred Warren and
C. L. Phifer, all editors of the Appear,
To Reason, Girard, Kan., have been indicted by the grand jury at Fort Scott,
for sending obscene literature through
the mails. The charge is based on the
articles contained in the Appear about
the Fort Leavenworth peniferalizer. for sending obscene literature through the mails. The charge is based on the articles contained in the Appeal about the Fort Leavenworth peniteritary. These articles showed that horrible immoralities were practiced upon the prisoners by the authorities. Graft, cruelty, sodomy and murder were rife. The result was that the deputy wardens and officials had to resign. The offenders were not published.

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That th

The Press Protests

fire. For back of Wayland are a host of serious men who will give their lives it necessary for him.

Warren is the fighting editor of the APPEAL. He is out with a statement that the United States of America is not big enough to contain the APPEAL and the federal courts as at present constituted. This means that the courts will have to go. will have to go.

Why Don't They See?

Colonist, Zephyr Hills, Fla.—Warren, Wayland and Phifer, three of the
intrepid editors of the greatest and most
interpid editors of the greatest and most
in self-defense and when the misrepresentations were too flagrant to be
the priests who in the name of religion
attack us for attempting to destroy religion are the aggressors and that whenever we have discussed the subject, at
all it has been when we have been forced
to do in self-defense.

The Socialist party explicitly declares
that it is a political movement and that
religion is a private matter with which
Socialism has nothing to do. And yet
the party is being constantly assailed
as an alleged conspiracy against the
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The priests who in increasing numto destroy religion and attempting to destroy religion. Colonist, Zephyr Hills, Fla-War-en, Wayland and Phifer, three of the There is a Socialist born every minute now, and in a few years you will all wonder why you didn't see it sooner.

## Great Courts!

Socialist, Columbus, Ohio: J. A. Wayland, C. L. Phifer and Fred D. Wayland, C. L. Phifer and Fred D. Warren, all of the Appeal, To Reason staff, have been indicted by the grand jury at Ft. Scott. Kansas, for exposing Warren, all of the Appeal to Reason staff, have been indicted by the grand jury at Ft. Scott. Kansas, for exposing the rottenness of the federal penitentiary at Ft. Leavenworth. The government found the condition existing there exactly as the Appeal to Reason had represented them, and dismissed Deputy Warden Lemon, whose official conduct has been criticised by the Appeal. Now they turn around and indict the of both politicians and pricests to fortify

packbone to go up against the hosts of only place they had to put him was sell and heard the lion in his den which in the reform school. The child na-he Appear seems to have done in this turally had the instinct of a caged rabbit for freedom. Gate open; gone. But Ohio has learned the use of blood down the century-old method of grand hounds since Eliza and her seven-jury procedure and appeared in person year-old escaped the Kentucky hounds procedure and appeared in person year-old escaped the Kentucky hounds by crossing the Ohio on ice. The present his side of the case to that state sent blood hounds after the litescaped and found food ce, an act that will establish Burglary. More prison now, the peni-for future court practices, tentiary for one year. Out four months, Federal Persecution.

Secretalizati Reprinted in Observer, Des. Lacs, N. D.: The Appeal to Reading of the Socialist paper published at Girard, Kan, is very radical in many research and the secretal research and the secretal research and the secretal research and the secretal research resear Girard, Kan, is very radical in many respects, and may at time go to an expects, and may at time go to an expects, and may at time go to an expect that possibly would make it liable to prosecution. But in a recent case firmly withdrew the jobs from him as where matters were brought before the last as his record was known. And United States grand jury, at Fort Scott, Kan, and J. A. Wayland, C. L. Phifer working class. Mrs. E. Goesnier, Cleve. and Fred D. Warren were indicted by that grand jury, and are to be arraigned and tried by the notorious Federal is offering this abandoned youth her ludge. Pollock at that place, there mother love to give him courage to Judge Pollock at that place, there seems to be a clear case of persecution instead of prosecution. The instant of the world honest men, is offering this abandoned youth her mother love to give him courage to continue the fight. This was the first dictments found against these star that rose in his nicks. star that rose in his night of social darkness. "I have found a mother," darkness. "I have found a management darkness. "All I ask is a chance now withheld for h publishing and sending obscene mat-through the mails, in the APPEAL TO ASON. The alleged obscene matter is in reference to the conduct of the t Leavenworth federal penitentiary, man and only the sparks of it sur-

Probably the judiciary and the federal ficient to induce the McNamaras to hearthstone and the fireside and with awakened to notify them that the limit confess guilt even if they were innoawakened to notify them that the limit confess guilt even if they were innofor tolerance has very nearly run as to
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cialism and labor unions than would be their execution. (2) The special need for immediate, local effect in the election at Los Angeles, in which the clection at Los Angeles, in which the Otis-Earl syndicate was involved. (3) The wider and continued effect upon

The current issue of the Coming Na-tion is the best thing on the Los An-geles situation. Mila Tupper Maynard tells the story of the election, just what tells the story of the election, just what forces were met and overcome, and just how the fight was waged, and just what effect the McNamara case, and other influences had in deciding the election.

Charles Edward Russell, in the editorial department, makes what will undoubtedly be the classical statement of the Socialism means:

That the things upon which the people depend together and which they use together they shall own together:

Equality of opportunity.

That the work the people do together they shall manage together:

Demodrates the story of the election, just what together they shall shape together and which the people do together they shall manage together.

That the wealth the people of together they shall shape together and which they use together they shall manage together.

That the wealth the people of together they shall shape together and which they use together they shall shape together.

McNamara case.

would find its most powerful ally in the casholic church.

If these priests and prelates attacked Socialism fairly and honestly we would have no fault to find with them, but in most cases their means are as unscrupulous as their conclusions are unwarranted. Notwithstanding this fact we refrain from attacking the Catholic church. Wherever and whenever we have attacked a priest it has always been in self-defense and when the misers and generods sum her moble-hearted employer pays.

Merry, for the shop slave, with the meagre pittance, supposed to represent his pay.

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Merry, for the girl behind the counter, with her miserly wage of from \$2 to \$4 per sect, studying how to pay board, buy clothing, maintain the large and generods sum her noble-hearted employer pays.

Merry, for the shop slave, with the meagre pittance, supposed to represent his pay.

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to destroy religion.

The priests who in increasing numbers are making this attack on the Socialist party with no other proof than the detached utterances they quote from individual Socialists, are as illogical, unfair, and dishonest as are the pandering and corrupt politicians who assail and misrepresent the Socialist party for precisely the same reason, and that is that the Socialist party is the party of both politicians and priests to fortify their Belshazzar misrule. We now propose to put these priests

We now propose to put these priests and bishops to the test of their own logic and their own conclusions. Because there are individual Socialists who are free thinkers, agnostics, atheists and infidels, just as there are in the republican and democratic parties, these priests and bishops declare from their pulpits that the Socialist party is a party of atheists and that its aim is the party of atheists and that its aim is the destruction of the church and the wip-

destruction of the church and the wip-ing out of religion.

The three presidents of the United States, Lincoln, Carfield and McKinley, states, Lincoln, Carfield and McKinley, were all assassinated by members of the catholic church. Mayor Harrison of Chicago was assassinated by a member of the catholic church. Mayor Gaynor of New York City, was shot by an assassin who is a member of the catholic church. The McNamaras are

favor of assassination?

The question is not only preposterous

Two priests in Denver murdered each

family and the price a set of free-lovers. the priesthood with being

home, disrupt the family and proclaim a reign of free love, or rather free lust, licentiousness and shame. The Socialist movement is pre-emi-

a lying knave whose offense is all the more flagrant if his foul hypocrisy is-sues from the garb of a priest and is wrapped up in the cloak of religion.

The propaganda edition of the Ap-PEAL is the next big one here, due January 20, 1912.

tributing literature regularly systematically.

This will bring the answer in Social-

ist, votes.

## The Contrast.

shall be managed by a part of the peo-ple: Despotism in management.

That the wealth the people create together shall be appropriated by part of the people: Robbery in distribution.

OS ANGELES is to have a municipal newspaper. At the recent election a referendum was carried appropriating funds for the publication of a weekly publication by the city administration. A charter amendment providing for this was carried last spring. The paper is to be printed weekly and distributed free of cost to every residence in the city. MERRY CHRISTMAS!" Merry, merry for the poor devil in rags, his shoes in tatters, hungry, cold, utterly miserable. Merry, for the shop slave, with the pittance, supposed to repredence in the city.

'A political tool"-

three per cent of the vote

a column when he cares to use it-insuring a hearing for the minority is the administration if there is a division in the administration camp.

ments, huddling about the few coals of fire, endeavoring to keep warm; with empty stomachs and but little or perhaps nothing to still the pangs of merry, for those prematurely aged before their time. before their time.

Merry! Even the devils in hell with all their fiendish power of torture must yield the palm to such a bitter mockery beside which their best efforts are but futile child's play.

Merry! Yes, for the exploiters, the grafters, the corruptionists, the criminal capitalistic class, each trying to cut the business throats of one an-

when our theories are not well digested.

Socialists must ask for everything they see to be good.

sociaists must ask for everything they see to be good,
"Progressive" politicians are scrambling now to find half loaves to throw knowing that the people are demanding not only whole loaves, but the entire bake shop.

Let us keep them well posted as to slices and half loaves. It amuses them

to take our outposts for us and gives us courage to fight harder for the cita-dels.

## CERTAIN PHASES

Did you ever hear an American jackass bragging about the efficiency of "our army and navy? And the military prowess of "his" country? "His" coun-try when he doesn't own a brick or stick in it. The soldiers are fed, clothed try when he doesn't own.

try when he doesn't own.

stick in it. The soldiers are fed, clothen and armed at his expense to but his mule head off at a word from the masters. The soldiers' rations are blood taken from his veins each day taken from his veins each day ters. The soldiers' rations are blood pudding taken from his veins each day pudding taken from his veins each day while he sweats to make pie for the masters. If he knew that he'd know his class. The interests of his class are opposed to militarism. "Down with the flag of capitalsm. Up with the flag of Socialism!" paps, have never looked at things in his class.

I know it is not a pretty word picture that I have made, that it is brutal, and coarse and utly, but I also know that it is frue. And I also know that it is true. And I also know that it is true. A. W. PICKERING, Covington, Now the Socialists can see the line up of the old parties for 1912. Taft of the g. of p. is an individualist, thank you. Clark, Harmon and other democratic leaders also want it known that they represent individualism as destructive of Socialism. "Gents," we accept your issue. You have drawn the line and issue. You have drawn the line and the late elections show the people are gathering on our side of the line. They're against your brand of "individualism." What do you really mean by the word? That is shown by your course records of misgovernment. own rotten records of misgovernmen and maladministration. Can you longer ram it down the throats of a gullitle people? You are combining under cover to defeat the Socialist movement. That kind of "combination" is your kind of "individualism."

What a Gift Subscription Did.

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I had the pleasure of taking the Coming Notion during the past year and enjoyed it very much. I have before me your letter of last week showing that my subscription will end cithin two weeks.

This paper was originally sent me by an unknown subscriber, I having never subscribed for it but never been very much interested in Socialism so was glad to got it. Since then I have learned the name of it. Since then I have learned the name of it. Now, I am eaclosing a postoffice money order amounting to two dollars (\$2.00) for two yearly subscriptions of the Comitte Nation. One of these I want to apply on my name, and continue sending the paper to same address as heretofore. This subscription to last for another year. The other subscription I want you to send to address which I will give below.—F. C. Carland, U. S. L. S. Sta., Chicago, Ill. eir own imaginations.
The general principles have been somewhat conceived, and there they my stop. The study of the philosophy to has not taught the details of polities of course there are two distinct reasons (a) Heretofore Socialists have been too few to win office and there was therefore little to encourage a

Comrade Cacoway, Chickelak, Ark., sends in a list of four which he says is his compilment to Harry Bone.

## and About Socialism

What answer can be given to the argument that a man who has become in ulti-millionaire by economy and harmwork is entitled to his wealth? That most \$15 a day, and no one can become a millionaire on an income of that kind. The hard work that produces millionaires is the hard work of exploiting others and is on a line with the hard work of driving slaves or of robbing states.

What will become under Sociolism of writer would favor forcing them to work for themselves. Even if this did not occur the wife would be able to make a living much easier than she can now. a living much easier than she can now. The poor woman writing this question begs, "Print this without my name, for if my name were signed it would endanger my life by my husband." Don't you think the law ought to take hold of a brate of that kind and compel him to work, relieving the wife of the need of supporting him? The writer of this does.

does.

Where are you to find teople for recall of an officer when the voting majority is in office? It looks to me that
Socialism is the greatest combination
for graft that ever existed. The majority would hold well paid government
jobs and the minority would have to
foot the bills. You are mistaken as to
this. Not only the majority but the
minority also would hold jobs, not
through the government, except as an
administrator. Because of owning the
means of production the jobs would belong to themselves, not to the government. They would elect and recall their
overseers as they might see fit, because overseers as they might see fit, because Socialism is industrial democracy. Don't you ever believe Socialism proposes that everybody shall be an employe of the government or that it means that only few are to have control of things.

What is meant by full social value? What is meant by full social value?

I am a shoemaker and can make two
pairs a day. What is the full social
value of my broduct? My brother is
a barber. What is the full social value
of his labor? The full social value is
the full value of the product of the
individual worker. By this is meant
that whatever the market value of your
shoes may be you would get social
credit for that and be able to exchange
it for anything else you might wish. it for anything else you might wish Whatever the market value of a shay would be, your brother would get in full accord with the product. Society and demand would necessarily regulate the value of things under Socialism, much as it does now. Herein is the difference: instead of you making shoes and permitting half a dozen others to make a profit from it you would get the entire retail value less the actual expense of marketing them.

## The Loan Shark

A CHICAGO woman whose son bought a suit of clothes on credit against his father's commands, borrowed money from a loan shark to pay it and shielded her son. Fifteen years passed and every week the loan shark forced money from the poor woman until before he died he bad collected \$500 on the original loan of twenty-five. until before he died he had collected \$500 on the original loan-of twenty-five dollars. The shark's son then appeared for more money and the secret got out. Another son put an end to the blood sucking. The Chicago Tribune of December 7th tells of two loan sharks operating among the employes of the county infirmary with the sanction of the officials. Doctor R. Brand writes to the Appeal. "My son is practically a fugitive from the clutches of the loan sharks—a tramp in a sense. Filing assignments they chase him from job to sharks—a tramp in a sense. Filing as-signments they chase him from job to job. He is doomed, he can't live with out some money and they demand all. A retired loan shark told me: along with the other Chicago loan brokers had to contribute a "jack pot" of \$18,000 to feed the Springfield legisla ture. Result; they passed a joker bill full of loop holes. It exempted the assignment from bankruptcy, the poor man's only chance. For God's sake is there no power of the press to stop this evil? If our Mr. Berger would introduce hill the would really kill this duce a bill that would really kill this business. Socialist votes would jump 15 points."

Forty-one new subscribers all in a heap rom Comrade Turner, Eldorado, Ili.

## The Critical Period

What Are You Doing?

What are you doing to help bring about Socialism in the near future?

What are you doing to secure the speedy emancipation of the working class from industrial slavery?

What are you doing to help the Socialist party arouse the electorate to a realization of the necessity for a working class administration of the government? 

children for their support. Prepare for your old age by opening an account with the Northwestern State or National Banks of Bellingham, Washington.

cialist press become a great power in the land?

What are you doing to help your comrades to deepen their understanding of national, state and municipal problems?

I should like to know. Other compared should like to know. Please titled us.

Think of such statements as these titled us.

Enclosed please find one dollar for the Coming Nation one year. We received a sample copy containing the first parts of the story. The Shadow Under the Roof and it was the first please at Socialist literature my good with word. Here are the order—Dr. W. R. Barman, Hermann, Mo.

The worl from the good, the first please that experime has taught you, they will be the strongest arrangement of the to yourself and for your children also. Do you imagine from your experience, that you can place you and them in suggestion makes you laugh in derission. If you can't, there is no hope for one in five thousand can after this age organization for mutual protection. If you can't, there is no hope for one in five thousand can after this age organization for mutual protection. Satisfaction paramited. Particulars that the first please of Socialist its recover his financial standing." "At against sharks and parasites that shall make you secure by giving you your children.

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In connection, consider your chances your children also. Do you imagine from your experience. Think of such statements as these that you can place you and them in suggestion makes you laugh in derission.

If you can't, there is no hope for your children also. Think of such statements as the suggestion makes you laugh in derission.

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## DO YOU WANT S 1200 A YEAR?

punishable, if the exposure is made by a Socialist publication.

Wayland was responsible for making Cotton's Weekly a Socialist paper. His paper awoke R W. Northey to the fact that he was a Socialist. The Arreat has a circulation of half a million. Wayland is universally beloved by a great army of readers. When the U.S. courts tackle Wayland, they are playing with fire. For back of Wayland are a host of serious men who will give their lives would find its most powerful ally m

M. C. A.'s, the Associated Charities, each with their professional beggar's whine. "God bless ye, help the poor." Yes, and knowing all the while, despicable hyprocrites, that it only alleviates, that it is only a drop in the bucket, that charity will not and can not prevent the problem of poverty. "Merry Christmas. Peace on earth, good will to men." Can these exist under a system which enforces the iron law that the weaker must go to the wall; that the race is to the swiftest; that the battle is to the strongest, that to the "victor belongs

Is the catholic church therefore in

but an outrage, and yet that is precely the logic these priests and bishops of the in proving that the Socialist party stands for the destruction of the church and

Two priests in Denver murdered each other over a gambling table, but no decent man would-charge the priesthood with being a set of gamblers.

Another priest in Denver was assassinated by a member of his own church, was found to be a libertine after his death, and to be the father of a number of children, but the Socialist party would not dream of charging the church would not dream of charging the church with standing for the disruption of the

And yet these priests and prelates do not scruple about taking advantage of just such miserable pretexts and flimsy fallacies to prove that the Socialist movement is trying to destroy the church, wipe out foliation, break up the home, disrupt the family and proclaim

## Do It Systematically.

Buy it, but don't stop there. Keep dis-

That the work the people do together

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas.

Merry, for the street waif, the news-boy, the orphan, the deserted child, the widow, the crippled, the blind,

cut the business throats of one other, scheming, conniving, planning, conspiring to get the best of the deal, in which the "best man wins, and the devil takes the hindermost." Merry!

Very, very merry, "Peace on earth, good-will to men. We've got it. Most assuredly. Sa

vation army pots on the corner, Y. M. C. A.'s, the Associated Charities

switces; that the battle is to the strongest, that to the "victor belongs the spoils." and that the "fittest survive." Perhaps this may be peace, perchance it may be money. Yet under a system of war, how can there

be peace, and under a system of mis

ery how can there be mirth?
These remarks are written for the
perusal and study of those who, per

just this way, have taken for granted the appearance of things as they seem, and not observed them as they are

makes these things possible and that they will continue to exist as long as we permit capitalism to exist. I would far rather write of things as

they should be, than as they are. I, and you, too, would far rather have things as they should be than as they

are. I know that there is only one way to do this—that this change can

come about in one way only—and that is through Socialism. I can not bring about this change unaided; nor can

and all the working class. Do you want this change, wherein poverty, suffering and crime will be abolished?

A Mere Bagatelle

BY CLYDE J. WRIGHT. HE joy of discovering the truth of the Socialist doctrine has

seized upon the minds of a mul-titude after the manner of a religion.

thousands have set up the co-operative commonwealth in the vacancy of

study of methods except among the most far-sighted. (b) The working class have inherited the belief that

What are you doing to help the So-cialist press become a great power in

has not taught, and legislation, course there are two

article was written.

We must unite both ourselves

vive

A political tool—you say.
Yes, but hear it all.
In every issue, one column is to be
or use of each minority party casting

in the administration camp.

It has become amusing to hear the Examiner and Times proclaim the danger of a municipal paper. Evidently the reading public should prefer to be given its information as one milliomaire shall dictate rather than as a group of officials elected by majority vote shall decide. Even without a chance for the minority to tell its story, the municipal paper would be preferable to a one-man paper; but with the minority column, such a paper will be invaluable.

\[
\text{Vone of our Denver contrades, Henry W. Pinkham, has had such a paper on the brain for several years.
\]

BENJAMIN GITLOW, New York City-

voting is the alpha and omega of politics as implicity as a savage believed that the earth was flat.

Too few understand that without a Socialist organization there is no So-What chance have you in life? It any age. It has been figured out. The can be figured accurately, just as the following card, circulated by associated insurance companies can figure the prospects of life for an individual at story:

	Socialist organization there is no So- cialist party—there is nothing in that case but a Socialist doctrine. Since	THE PERIODS OF A MAN'S LIFE		
The second secon	the very nature of the movement calls upon the common people to become their own organization tne difficulty lies in getting them to do it.  But there is still a greater difficulty and that is to get them to pay dues in sufficient aumounts to meet the necessities of the party's struggle. Sentiment cannot govern; we must not only	Everything to pain and nothing to lose.	This space represents man's accommissing period.  Either success or failure is settled. No days of grace are allowed.  NOW OR NEVER.  DANGER LINE.	tion, as man must not spec- ulate, for he has all to lose and mothing to pain.
	have a big membership in quantity but also in quality. A 100,000 mem- bers in the Socialist party is a mere bagatelle.  What Are You Doing?	period when son thinks he	The boy is now changing his mind and and conclusion he dissus that fife to a reality, at much as he once thought. It much as he once thought. It much as he once thought when the now concern he now concern a new with second thought where a new thought when a new thought with the new concern and the new concerns t	50

At Staty, ninety-five per cent of men are now dependent upon their daily earnings, or on theh

These facts were compiled from fig-ures for the purpose of frightening peo-ple into saving as a means of keeping which this card is based, it is "now the wolf from the door, but if you will study them well, in connection with line."

To lay by a competency before you are fifty. Yet, as shown by the figures on which this card is based, it is "now or never." Beyond that is the "danger

he efforts of the plutes to connect Socialists with the McNamara's in dynamiting stunts has fallen so

Socialists of the district of which Socialists of the district of which Pottsville, Pa., is a part have nominated a complete congressional and legislative ticket. Comrade Con Foley wil, make the race for congress. Pottsville is in the coke region, and is near the scene of the historic Molly McGuire hanging. It seems fated that the scenes where capitalism has done its most dastardly work are the places where the Socialists will first celebrate their victories.

Milwaukee, who has been declared in-eligible to hold his office on account of being a non-resident of the city at the and has been instrumental in saving the city a quarter of a million of dollars on street paving. The people appreciate him, but the grafters were after his scalp and through the aid of their handy supreme court finally got it.

Socialists of the third Kansas con-Over \$1,400 have been subscribed te, and the entire fund seems as-D. C. Flint of Girard was elected sured. D. C. Fint of Girard was elected district secretary and he has opened headquarters in Girard. L. F. Fuller was made organizer and he is now in the field dated up to January 1st. The district has 60 locals, 24 of which are in this, Crawford county. The Italian national organizer is now in the district organizing the 2,000 Italian coal miners.

ed anarchists of Chicago were for crimes that could not be against them, while at Los An-ney were let off with light senconfessing to murder. Cap-It was just to keep

t the enemy to rout and thor-scared the politicians. Blind is the Socialist or unionist who The National Lyceum course has now ted in all divisions except the East-circuit, which starts after Christ-The speakers report good audien

Sermon on McNamara Case.

church of Girard, Kan., McNamara case. The Times, in menting on the sermon, said: "No ister in Girard has ever dared to mister in Girard has ever dared to y the things he said from the pulpit."

e was not only fair, but he also owed a comprehension of the situam a sincerity and sympathy and ability that were striking. In the urse of his sermon he read the following from the Central Christian Adcate, an organ of the Methodist urch:

is, an organ of the Methodist ch: but will be the influence of this common the growth of Socialism? It will spligable. Socialism in its deeper asis a weeld awakening. It is not a ficial phenomenon intoxicated with dup smotion. It is not a hysteria, and falling with tides and winds. It feeling after power by those who have being hinds the little white ballot of . Its spread may be checked for the mit, because some will identify bombs assusmations with Socialism: but who have thought it through who have thought it through who bombs who have thought to through who have thought it through who bombs who have thought to McNamars are worse foss.

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one strides in America. What the
fill bring will be watched with confie do not discuss its academic dewe simply state a fact: upon this
bores America must concentrate acre as Socialism is concerned the dasact of the dynamiters in Los Anfill have no permanent influence at
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The rights of all are equal Justice poised
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issuance of money has always more or less recognized as a function. But the shrewd conbankers have always managed take important qualifications.

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which enrich themselves at the expense of the public.

The Aldrich plan boldly throws off this traditional right of the public to issue the money of the country and to have charge of its own funds. We may admire Mr. Aldrich for his boldness but we cannot agree to his proposals.

Heretofore, the arguments on the

wo sets of capitalists each striving for

not lend to workingmen. the bankers in the form of de-Lenders always have

to put their money in post-e money orders and postal savernment of redepositing these funds into private banks is bad and should abolished, but notwithstanding that the money of individuals is safer with the government than with the bankers.

Socialist.

The Legal Department. Comrade Sheppard says: "The Ap-

ever started."

Not only is it becoming the means of Not only is it becoming the ineals of educating new material, but it has attracted the attention of a good many students now in law schools who are Socialists. Some of these have written. ten for advice on suitable locations. Wouldn't be surprised if out of this there grew a Socialist lawyers' association?

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toward the thousand mark.

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History Repeating.

History is repeating. In 1859 no aboli-tionist hoped to win the election of 1860. he republicans were not organized, not stitution, just as that court this amended the Sherman act. In 183 breath. Then John Brown gave the plates joy by shooting up Harper's Ferry just as the McNamaras pleased them by blowing up Los Angeles. Brown's stunt "killed" the abolition movement " the abolition movement McNamaras have "killed" Socialism. But the next year abolition

"Look today for a piece of land that may mean your release from drudgery," says a Chicago paper referring to its farms-for-sale columns. Yet farming is the greatest drudgery. Capitalism has been just as cruel in exploiting the farmer as the city worker. In order to get his loaf of bread, the farmer must produce his hundred loaves. Men can the say the say of the fields but Instead it today is really an expression of man' Doubtless social nature, his heart crying a de social nature, his heart crying a

ane same words and statements have been used millions of times in the daily press of this country. It would have been impossible to have used other language in deasorbing the vile and brutai practices in dulged in by the deputy warden of the federal penitentiary." It is a notorious fact that the loudest outery made against the public exposure of vice is usually made by persons whose own lives are victous and who dread that such exposure will throw the limelight upon themselves. People who the limelight upon themselves. People who is a proper such as the properties of fear, and do not fear, uncovering the outgages upon humanity that are, perpetrated in public institutions like prisons, reformatories, penitentiaries, insane asyiums, etc.

Did all people starve before the capitalist was created?—The International Sociolist, Sydney.

The indictments against the magnates of the beef trust have not in any manner reduced the cost of living.—Political Action.

The awnership of some industries by the government under the control of political parties dominated by capitalists is not Socialism, but state capitalism.—Kansas City Socialism.

News of Socialism

New Reading, fa., is to have a daily So Local Osceola Mills, Pa., bas

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"Political Parties in the United States

A number of Socialists are organizing trining group at Crystal Springs, Fig. 1 terested you may address C. M. Maxwell love address.

Emma F. Connolly, Box 55, Birmingham, Ala., requests all Socialists in Alabama who are not alliliated with the party to sund their addresses at once.

The Ray, a Detroit Socialist monthly, will cast its first beam next month. It is published in Russian and English by D. L. Orlowsky. Welcome.

Sumas, Wash. didn't feel the effect of the Los Angeles verplosion" at its election on December 5th. With three tickets in the field it made substantial increase over last year.

Courades of Ellerton. Wash. report that they hope to elect their municipal ticket which has just been put in the field. The local is growing and "comrade" has become the normal greeting at Ellerton.

As a result of a speech by Clyde J. Wright, at Osage City, Kan., the membership of the local has been materially increased, even some who did not hear coming in because of good reports carried away.

At Edmonds, Wash. December claims and democrats by combining manufacturer and four councilinen. Repand democrats by combining manufacturer and councilman. Darrow didekill Socialism.

Luther Virgii Stewart, aged twenty, who left idaho, August, 1910, with a ticket to Memphis, is requested to go at once to his mother if he wishes to see her alive. Parties knowing of his whereabouts are asked

he campuign at Hutchinson, Kan. to lect a successor to the late Congressman Addison in the Seventh district. She

Poverty for Farmers.

W. C. Gilbreath, commissioner of agri-culture of North Dakota, in a report is-sued November 1st, says that the yield of wheat for this season will be at least 80, 000,000 bushels. Other cereals he says will be in the same proportion. With a population of 600,000 [and North Parks] that the loudest outery made against the public exposure of vice is usually made by persons whose own lives are victous and who dread that such exposure will throw the limiting upon themselves. People who lead pure and moral fives have no need to fear, and do not fear, uncovering the outrages upon humanity that are perpetrated in public institutions like prisons, reformation in public institutions like prisons, reformation in public institutions like prisons, reformation in the state. Add to this hundreds of in public institutions like prisons, reformation in the state. Add to this hundreds of in public institutions like prisons, reformation in the state. Add to this hundreds of the state, and to the state. Add to this hundreds of the state, and to the state and the state, and to the state. Add to this hundreds of the state, and to the state, and

Courts to the Rescue

essity of the people securing dominition of the courts, by refusing Milwaukee power to cotiect \$187,000 back license fees due the city from the Milwaukee Electric Light and Ballway company. The court also decided that the street superintendent, the city purchasing agent, the building superintendent and superintendent of the street cleaning department hold their offices likely and making such decided reforms in the interest of the people that the capitalist masters induced their court to try to defeat the Socialists in their work of real service. The outcome will be that the people seeing they can secure justice only through ending capitalism and its courts will set themselves to the task and clean out the entire bunch.

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PROGRESSIVE.



clicted by a receival years lary at FL Scott, kan. on charge of printing indecent articles in their paper exposing iniquities going on in the tederal prison a. FL Leavenworth. An investigation was made and the charges were substantiated by the government discharging the offenders. The federal presecuting attorney, hiarry Bone, and Judge Peliock seem to have the opinion they can at least harrass these men under the guiss of law. If the facts were true and which seem to be the case, just where a conviction can found is something the ordinary person hot initiated in the dark recesses of modern interpretation of the law cannot see. It is quite generally conceeded now days that many of the federal attorneys and judges do not represent the beat inlent or principles of the legal profession, being mostly politicians who get their appointments by a guil politically.

The Sense of the Socialists. the gov-renders. The fiarry Bone, tve the opin

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Collier's Weekly.—The Socialists administration of Butte, Mont, sought to compet the messenger and telegraph companies of that city to obey a dead ordinance, passed years ago, prohibiting minors and messenger boys under eightern years from being sent into brothels in the restricted district of the city. The postoffice officials compiled with the request and put a grown man on the special delivery route in that part of the city. One of the messager companies refused. It produced an injunction from the district court restraining the city administration from interfering with its "business." An appeal has been taken by the city to the supreme court of the strict. Here is a reform which ought to be put into effective force in every city in the union. For mess business sease and profitable morality the Socialists not infrequently set the pace.

Comrade Ganson, Odessa, Wash., a prac-

The supreme court of Wisconsin has demonstrated its class nature and the necessity of the people securing dominition of the courts, by refusing Milwaukee power to cotiect \$187,000 back license fees due the city from the Milwaukee Flectric Light and Rallway company. The court also decided that the street superintendent, the city purchasing agent, the building superintendent and superintendent of the street learning department hold their offices lifeting the many department hold their offices lifeting ally. These men have been enforcing the law and making such decided reforms in

along."

Do not ask for list of subscribers in your town or city from us. We furnish the state secretary a complete fist of the state, and you can obtain it from him. Donations for legal defense cepted. If you want to help "Life-Time Subscription."

The Class Struggle,

A man was arrested and fined in ur name eago because he wore woman's clothe We do got jobs as a washerwoman! John Redpath, a civil war veteran, with his wife, was found starving in East Brook-lyn in spite of a small pension he was drawing.

drawing.

Exploited women workers in a macaroni factory in Fort Worth, Tex., get \$4 a week. Enough for them to buy the holes in the marsconi they make.

A concrete building rising in Indianapolis fell during the noon hour and killed four workmen, eating their junch. Fortunate is the laboring man who can hope to die on a full stomach.

An Akron. Ohio. man, thirty-nye years

tories recently won there are hundreds of such places which only need a few "seeda of Socialism" planted to bring forth a good, big, strong local of determined comrades, Are you willing to help in this way? A dollar once in a while will be productive.

Horrible Revolutionists.

Globe Democrat brepublican), St. Louis.—
Since the installation of a public lighting plant at Winnipeg, a reduction of 60 per cent in prices has been made, and the private corporation which has long been serving the city has actually been forced to meet this ruinous cut in prices. It is such revolutionary, radical and anarchistic people as these that Champ Clark proposes to annex to this country.

Killing the Party-Again.

Leader, Pittsburg. Pa.—It defeat of the Socialists at Los Angeles may mean the death of the party, as a host of editors are trying to convince themselves, but it is just as well to be fair emorgis to say that any party which jumps its vote from 3,000 to 53,000 in one year, and is beaten in a ratio of eight to five by a combination of three old parties, isn't suffering much from ennut.

Chance Yet to Win the Prize.

There is still an opportunity to win one of the prizes offered by the Coming Nation for the best solution of the mystery story, now running in that paper. All the installments of the story to date can be furnished to those who subscribe now. Send a dollar to the Coming Nation, Girard. Kan., for a year's subscription. The Difference.

Leader, Pittsburg, Pa.—The greatest dif-ference between the explosion in a coal-mine and a McNamara lob is in the means employed. Properly handled, coal drist is just as effective in its place as dynamite for killing issuccent people.

Concrete, Wash, at the election December 5th, elected a Socialist mayor, two councilmen and tied for three other councilmen. At least one of these will be seated. The local was organized there last April. How the Ots Burns-Darrow stunt has frightened the Sócialists. Canadian rate for the APPEAL is \$1 a year. For the Coming Nation, \$1.50. Remember this when making remittances from Canada.

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Stay with the capitalist courts.

may drop out of sight, they may put Way-land. Warren and Phifer in Jall, and asp-press the Afrana and all the rest of the Socialist papers, but I will still be a So-cialist and vote the Socialist ticket.—Com-rade Bell. Huney Grove. Tex.

The comrades here are filled with renewed courage to find the APPARL staff, that is under indictment, undaunted by this less hold play of capitalism and ready to renly to them in a way that shows you are next to their game. Here is a hearty endorsement for every word you have said. Oil the big press once more and use such language as is necessary to express the rottemess of the present regime.—Comrade Sigter, Smith Center, Kan.

Extra copies of the APPRAL, in bundles of 100 and over, are not counted but weighed. So it your bundle is over or short a few copies it is due to the variation in weight of the white paper. If you are short some other fellow is loug.

The Wolves at Work

Editorial in Los Angeles Record.

FAT man in the desert. A pack of hungry wolves, fighting over a clean bone. The wolves see the What is the first thing for to do under such circum-Stop fighting, and get to They rush for the man, runqualities to bring the man down. All

had to unite their strength What did the wolves do then? n an editorial called Earl a hy country are on Los Angeles, just now, and millions of Americans are won-lering how the public of Los Angeles feels when it plays the part of the

THE "business" men of every city in America have been called upon by the plute organization to "enter the political field at once "to prevent the actment of class legislation by the labor party." How's that for a class movement right there! Evidenty the Los. Angeles episode has forced the real issue. It is now the "business" men against the producers. The mask of 'party" falls. Privilege with fangs bared in a ghastly grin puts it paw upon the ballot box and challenges the oilers of the land.

Industrial Socialism

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If you are in the least hary as to tain points in the difference between Casteal and Labor you will be gra-leiped by the terse and snappy written by Archibaid Crawford, the Se African labor editor.

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## Court Fight on the Appeal

Calendar of the Warren Case. May 7, 1907.—Warren arrested after dictment by federal grand jury on arge of sending "incendiar, scurril-s and defamatory matter through mails. Appeared for trial. Case stronged ber 11, 1907 -- Motion to quash it argued by Warren's attor-Pebruary 7, 1908.—Pollock overruled metion to dismiss case. May 8, 1908.—Case continued by the ber 9. 1908.—Case continued by 8, 1909.—Case heard. Warren

found guilty.

July 1, 1909.—Pollock sentenced Warren to six months in Jail and payment
of fine of \$1,500. Appeal taken.

May 9, 1910.—Hearing before court
of appeals at St. Paul.

November 21, 1910.—Court of appeals
confirms decision of lower court.

February 1, 1911.—President Taft issues unsolicited pardon to Warren. Data on Warren Case.

During the four years in which the warren case was pending the cost the APPEAL was \$12.210, and to the go erament over \$12.000. The circulation of the APPEAL increased during the time from 287,000 to 540,000. Calendar of Second Case.

April 29, 1911.—Expose of corrupt conditions at Leavenworth pentientiary. September 21, 1911.—Deputy Warden Lemon resigns on suggestion of Washington authorities.

November 14, 1911.—Warren, Wayland and Phifer Indicted for publishing the expose of Lemon. Case set for trial May 7, 1912.

## Get Back the Land Gustavus Meyers in his "History of

Great American Fortunes," page 137, says of the promoters of the Southern Pacific railroad:

"The next thing the Huntington group did was to force the eastern capitalists out of the Texas and Pacific railroad, absorb that line into their own system, and ILLEGALLY GRAB THE EIGHTEEN MIL-LION ACRE LAND GRANT of the Texas and Pacific railroad. Even under the law as it stood, the Texas and Pacific was not entitled to the land grant. The house committee on judiciary on August 3, 1882, after an investigation, declared that the Texas and Pacific Railroad company had never completed any part of the route for which the land grant in New Mexico, Arigona and California was given; that it had never earned the grant; that it did not purpose to build the road for which it was chartered and endowed, and that it was transferring to the Southern Pacific Railway company 'all of the rights and titles to the land in question.' The committee on judiciary prepared a resolution DE-CLARING THE FORFEITURE OF THE LAND GRANT, and urged Its passage by congress by a joint resolution. It did not pass."

Here are eighteen million acres of the public patrimony that were illegally acquired and that should be forfeited. Congress has the power to declare them forfeited even now, and to save that vast value to the people. Suppose you ask your congressman to take the matter up and do that much for the people under penalty of your disapproval during the coming campaign. He may urge that there have been "innocent purchasers" of part of the land. Tell him to require the Southern Pacific railroad to make good to such innocent purchasers out of land that it obtained legally if not justly, and to save to the people that which is theirs.

## NO COMPROMISE.

If there is a shibboleth which Socialists should hold sacred it is that embodied in the two words at the head of this article. There are those who in their timidity and weakness imagine that could be capitalists who now rule so

## THE ARSENAL OF FACTS

President's salary	75.000
Secretaries, clerks, etc	69,920
Contingent fund	25,000
Traveling expenses	25,000
For vehicles, stables, etc	35,000
For additional improvement to white	
, house	40,000
For furnishings, draperies, etc	15,000
For care of grounds	5,000
Fuel for white house and stables	6.000
Care of green bouse	9,000
Repairs to green house	3,000
Printing	2.000

Lighting white house and public grounds \$329,920 Total 

he gets in the service of the masters He may and usually does thrive for a He may and usually does thrive for a time, under the patronage of the capitalist oress, and during this time he is advertised as "a wise and popular leader," he banquets with the civic federation, visits at the white house leader," he banquets with the civic red-eration, visits at the white house, is recognized by "statesmen" and praised by prelates, but the end comes at last, and there has never been a single ex-ception in the long list who have trav-elled that road to oblivion.

John Mitchell has long flourished as "a wise and conservative leader," but the end of his career in that capacity is in sight. The capitalists themselves, recognizing the loss of his prestige

mizing the loss of his prestige ig the workers, are beginning to ly despise him. In their hearts

among the workers, are beginning to they have far greater respect for the revolutionary leaders who fight them openly and manfully and scorn their blighting patronage.

At the meeting of the National Business congress at Chicago recently, attended by leading capitalists and business men. Frank D. Pavey of New York denounced Mitchell as an "oily deceiver" and Sam Gompers as "a liar." He then went on to charge that Mitchell was giving the workers and the capitalists a lot of "sop," and that his lectures and articles were all "cunningly designed to hoodwink the unwary" and that all his utterances "had been studiously calculated to deceive and mislead."

There you are, Mr. Gompers and Mr. Mitchell, for dining with the civil Federation, flirting with the capitalists and trying to straddle the class struggle. Even they in their hearts despise you and when they get through using you as their tools they kick you out with contempt.

On with the class struggle and no

On with the class struggle, and no compromise

## WATCHING THE APPEAL

We are in receipt of a confidential ommunication from a comrade in the highest standing who advises us that he has a friend in the department of justice at Washington who has just imparted to him the private information confidential clerk has been instructed to scrutinize every issue of the Appear, to Reason and carefully mark every article which can be construed

lations of the postal department."

The further information is conveyed that these marked files of the APPEAL are being prepared by instructions of the attorney general and that "there is to doubt that a plot is being hatched in this department to prosecute the AP-PEAL and its responsible editors in the rials next spring to the full extent of

This is interesting, but it is not new to us. We already had Prosecutor Harry Bone's word for it that the au-thorities at Washington had ordered this prosecution of the APPEAL and that "he was running the grand jury" which brought the indictments in accordance with the instructions of the national dministration.
This, in effect, is what Bone said to

the grand jury in the heat of his ex-citement provoked by Warren's speech to the jurors, which he feared would turn the tide against him.

We are glad that Wickersham and a blanket his Wall street gang who are now in assisted it control of the so-called department of his state PPEAL and marking every article which by their capitalistic construction they can torture into a violation of the law. From now on, we serve notice, there will be plenty of tabbing to do.

the special APPEAL TO REASON Wickersham's Morganized department be sure to mark this particu-lar article and bring it to his master's

The APPEAL has published nothing in reference to capitalism and its vices and iniquities which it is not prepared to stand by, and when it comes to im-prisoning its editors for printing the truth and putting their iron heel on paper for uncovering cesspools of filth in public institutions, there will be some thing doing that will be more engaging to the federal judges than anything in bigh vandeville they experienced on their fishing trip to Tampico as the

## guests of the railroad corporations. CARNEGIE'S "GREATEST MEN."

Andrew Carnegie has named twenty of the "greatest men" of history, whose work he thinks did more to shape the a milk and water propaganda will bring on the revolution, and they are exceedingly nervous lest by some rash utterance they offend the capitalists and ance they offend the capitalists and the capitalists and those work rules are the president has someth publicity by There is only one safe course and She heads the list with Queen Victoria. that is the straight one; the course and omits all reformers and social rebwithout any compromising turns or by els. It is all silly, as silly as the monyays in it. Woe be to that weak brother who feels that he ought to be a Socialist and yet is airaid to cut loose from capitalism and boldly avow the spirit that is world except as he or she becomes the talism and boldly avow the spirit that is in him.

Then there are labor leaders, so-called, who straddle the issue and vainly strive to be on both sides of the class struggle.

Every such straddler is wholly on the capitalist side and his only pretense that he is for labor at all is that he may have something to traffic in for the pay have something to traffic in for the pay. is going. He who looks for a Moses to lead the people to the promised land is doomed to disappointment, because even the original Moses failed to do it.

to work and earn honest livings

> THE New York chamber of commerce has drawn up a resolution for a world commission of experts to study the high cost of living and suggest possible remedies. However if the scientific muts appointed for this job have the nerve to suggest the real remedy, they'll get promptly canned.

A Socialist writer describing the prehistoric man found in Switzerland says:
"He looks more like an anthropoid ape
or Teddy Roosevelt than like a human."
Socialists, be fair. Admit that Teddy
looks somewhat human. It is his moral
nature that reminds us of ape days.

own best interests, should realize how
peculiarly vulnerable they are to the
of discontent. "Peculiarly vulnerable"
—surely it is time for the masters to
follow the example of the McNamaras
and plead guilty, and time to put a few
of them behind the bars.

LET's take the navy and army and use hem in recla ing the 70,000,000 acres of swamp land that now belongs to

for the employment of the idle and the breaking of the power of unemployment, without selling an acre.

Spir on your hands, but not on the

Roosevert says he has now proven his charge that "murder is murder." Must have got that hanch at San Juan Hill when Teddy seized a gun and shot down a flecing Spanish kid in the back.

You pay about seven cents per pound for sugar. A paragraph in a capitalist paper says it brings at the mills in Cuba one cent. How dear to your heart the

Space writers on the capitalist papers are busy trying to calculate "The Peril in Equal Suffrage." One way suggested: Take the peril in male suffrage and multiply by two. AFTER all, Canada is being annexed

by American capitalists. A recent offi-cial report shows that 755 companies from the United States have built fac-tories in Canada since 1900. And pro-test on Canada's part will not prevent this ameration.

THE Des Lacs Observer, Des Lacs, N. Dak, printed an editorial defending the indicted editors of the APPEAL, and from an indignant subscriber. But a thing like standing for justice isn't go-ing to cause any paper to "stop."

Two hundred miners were the week entombed in Tennessee, facing death because of criminal carelessness on the part of the capitalists who own the mines. But you don't hear the how about them that you do about the 21 who were killed in the Los Angeles ex-

THE Observer, a catholic paper of Pittsburg says: "The ballot is the only legitimate and effective weapon that worthy citizenship can yield, and the bomb is the weapon only of the murderous ruffians who are bedeviled by the anarchistic doctrines of Socialism."
By the way, the McNamaras are democrats and catholics.

THE charges that Comptroller Bay, Alaska, was turned over to private in-terests is to be dropped by the depart-ment of justice. You can't expect the attorney general to prosecute the president of the United States who gave him the job: The Los Angeles "stunt" has encouraged Wickersham to throw off

Now that there is no need of choking off defense for workers the postal or-der against the use of stamps other than letter postage on letters has been rescinded. The order was frankly for the purpose of preventing a fund being raised for the defense of the McNamaras. How the backbones of the plutes have stiffened since the betrayal at Los Angeles!

Wilson, the day before his term as overnor of Kentucky expired, issued blanket pardon to all militiamen who assisted in outrages on the people of his state during the effort to convict the tobacce trust. The plutes imagine the people are so frightened after the Los Angeles tableau that they will not dare protest at anything. We shall see.

WHAT do you think of this? The News, New Franklin, Pa., says: "Postoffices, roads with no toll gates, and free schools are forms of Socialism that the big enough to accept the entire Socialist platform!" The News errs, however. platform!" The News errs, however. The republican party would not dare de-clare for the destruction of the capitalist system, for the reason that all its

Ar the irrigation congress at Chicago, James Frear, secretary of state for Wisconsin, worked himself up into a lather of sweat over the "exodus of He says it means a quarter of a billion dollar loss to the states every year. Now that all the land is grabbed and exploited in this country, the masters would fence us in to keep the land hungry guys from escaping across the border in their quest for a "few acres and freedom." Why not a fugitive farmer law like the old fugitive slave

A FRIEND sends the APPEAL an advertisement of the Pinkerton Detective agency, containing the name of J. W. McNamara as superintendent of the agency at Montreal, asking if he is a relative of the California dynamiters.
The Appeal does not know. Many have suggested that there is a plot behind the outrages, and that the Mc-Namaras were either willing or unwilling agents of the masters in this class war from the first. The APPEAL is loath to believe this; but if apyone can

According to the Rock Island (III.)

Argus, "the turn the McNamara case
has taken has been the greatest blow to Socialism in the history of the country." Alderman Carl Minkley of Mil waukce explains the matter more in de-tail, in the words: "The Socialists are losing ground, they are in danger. Two losing ground, they are in danger. Two years ago they cast 11,000 votes in Los Angeles. At the recent primary election they cast 20,000 votes. And now at the regular election they poll 50,000 votes. If we keep on losing this way, there will be danger that we carry the whole country. It is too bad the way Socialists are going backward. country. It is too bad t

THE C. N. Lee company of New York THE C. N. Lee company of New York is circularizing traction companies, using the following argument: "If you have not given serious thought to the nation-wide spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction with public service corporations it is time you did so. We are not pessimists, but we believe that the electric traction companies, for their own best interests, should realize how pertiliarly unbarrable they are to the

## Roosevelt and Burns

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kensas.

All that Roosevelt saw in the de nouncement of the McNamara case when the confession was announced was the greatness and glory of Burns the sleuth, and the immorality of the victory achieved in the cause of humanity, from the Roosevelt point of view There is something peculiarly fitting in the governments. Literature was dethis exchange of congratulations which passed between these two hunters and killers of men and monkeys. They are both of the same type and the instincts of either are a perfect match for the

We can see the cold and cruei tigereyes of Roosevelt light up as with beastly chuckle he gave to the public press his message of congratulation to mother equality merciless and cold-plooded upon having been the means of pronouncing the doom of a couple of misguided workingmen. If life itself were at stake it were

safe wager that if the McNamara had been as innocent as lambs and had been acquitted and vindicated by a jury trial, this same Roosevelt would never have dreamed of sending them a word

have dreamed of sending them a word of congratulation.

In every act of Roosevelt's life he has instinctly been on the side of power and oppression, while at the same time distorting his flinty features into hideous grimaces to evidence his ferocious hostility to oppression and injustice and tility to oppression and injustice and his sympathy for and devotion to the

mmon people. Burns was doubtless flattered when this dressed-up jungle man placed a hero's crown upon him and the jungle man's savage features relaxed into as much of a smile as they are capable when this gallant act was blazed public in the press dispatches.

As between the McNamaras and all they are charged with and may be guilty of, we would rather be in their places than to be in the place of Theodore Reosevelt and have to answer for he crimes committed by him, for many of which he has been applauded and all but defined in the capitalist world. And this is the man, this deadly foe

the Socialist and labor mover this double-faced tool of the trusts, this pal of Burns and McRartland, who is now being groomed for another term in the presidential chair. It is true that he has denied this, but, as Congress national convention in Philadelphia, in 1900, after Roosevelt had violated solemn compact he had entered into upon his word of honor, "his word is not good under oath."

Judge VanValkenburgh, of the federal ourt at Kansas City, Mo., fined Dr. O. Gaskell, charged with bringing of school girl to Kansas City for improper purposes, a "white slave" prosecution purposes, a "white slave" prosecution, \$450, and let him go. Even the district attorney protested against the action of the court. The attorney defending was a former law partner of the judge. Gaskell was a banker. White slavery in the federal court is punishable with a slight fine if the accused is not a Socialist, but exposing the unspeakable corruption of the federal penitentiary by a Socialist, according to the same by a Socialist, according to the same standard, merits indictment and a penitentiary term

## NOBILITY OF SOUL.

It is not necessary to go into what i called "the higher walks" of life to find true nobility of soul. Indeed, the finest qualities of human nature are as a rule found to distinguish the humblest and most unpretentious members of society. In these the finest essences of nobility have not been destroyed by vicious and artificial living. The following press dispatch which appears in the Chicago Tribune is as an instance

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 2.—That his might live, William Kennedy, a miner, his life last night when white damn discovered. It happened in a room of vmine No. 20, and when the deadly was noticed a dozen men rushed for an At the entry Kennedy found that his Joe was missing.

It is not probable that this coal miner who gave up his life to save that of his boy ever enjoyed any advantages education, culture, or reinement. Qu Quite farmer law like the old fugitive slave likely he wore the shoddlest of clothes, law to keep the serfs from getting to the coarsest of shoes and subsisted upon the commonest of food, and yet in the supreme test of the qualities which con-stitute frue human nobility this rough-hewn proletarian was a very god among men and spiritually towered mountain-high among the tops and aristocrats who would not have touched him with a clothes-prop.

## THEY OWN THEM.

The Swiss people own their railroads When the rise in food prices raised a protest, the freight rates on food were supply information of a convincing nature the Appear would be pleased to ership the rates were increased. In Swit reduced. In our glorious private ownzerland you can buy a passenger ticket, good on any train and all the trains, any time and all the time, for one month, for \$12.75; good for one year for \$102. Think of riding by the month for 40 cents a day of 24 hours, or 30 cents a day by the year; wouldn't that jar you? There are 2,400 miles of road that cent \$150,000 and hours then one over cost \$150,000 a mile when taken over from the private owners who were charging 6 to 10 cents a mile. What would Ohioans think if the roads were to sell tickets good for one month, at \$12.75? Yet there is as many miles in Switzerland as there are in Ohio. The Americans are the easiest suckers in the world. There is no valid reason that the rates in this country should be higher than in Switzerland only the private ownership reason.

Coming down from Kansas City the other day I found the chair car crowded beyond endurance so I went into the observation Pullman, where there was observation Pullman, where there was an abundance of room and contfort. There were four Pullman cars and none had more than six occupants. In the chair car there were people standing and in the smoker there was an elderly lady with three small children where they were to spend a restless night. Why did they not go into the cars where there was room for all? I did. Figure lie out for yourself. it out for yourself.

## LITERATURE DID IT.

That's the report made by the workers in every place carried by the Socialists all over the world:

In Europe our comrades had to develop their movement by literature, and this distributed secretly.

Meetings were at first forbidden by stroyed when found, and its possessers this distributed secretly.

thrown in jail. The Socialists perse vered, and by and by so many people were converted that the governments had to grant freedom of press and speech.

In this country our trouble at first was indifference.

People would not attend meetings Milwaukce comrades overcame this by systematic house-to-house distribution of leaflets. This interested enough peo ole so that they would come to meet-ngs. Now Milwaukee has an up-toings. Now Milwaukee has an up-to-date daily, a big building, and all is free from debt

Other places have been won same manner and in time will develop a self-supporting local press. If you a self-supporting local press. It want success distribute literature.

## "DEN OF VICE."

"THE CONDITIONS OF VICE AND IMMOR-ALITY HERE ARE A SHAME TO THE WHOLE NATION."

The above is an extract from a letter written by Senator Works of California to President Taft, urging the president to limit the number of saloons and dives in the capitol city.

In the very capitol of the republic there are conditions of vice and depravity so flagrant, so shocking, so rotten, that they fill the atmosphere surrounding the president, the supreme court and congress with a stench that rises to heaven. But these capitalist rulers are oblivious of it all. They are too busy preaching about law and order, delivering special sermons in churches and orations in colleges on the glories of the republic and the menace of So-

Stretching out from the very doors of the postoffice building at Washington there are the avenues lined on either side with dens of prostitution, all the way from the highest Amazon to the lowest order of a ne gress and they all thrive and flourish in the patronizing atmosphere of the capitalist capitol of the capitalist re-

And these capitalist legislators, jurists and executives who are in the very center of the capitol, which Senator turbed in the slightest by this moral pestilence which arises from this chamber of social horrors, are ir one ac cord when it comes to denouncing So cialism as fostering irreligion, threaten-ing the family life, breaking down the home, and opening the flood-gates of

licentiousness and immorality.
This is their charge, echoed by count-less priests and politicians and pulpi-eers, and behind the clamor raised by this charge the capitalist beneficiaries of the present exploiting and debasing system are seeking to screen their own guilt and hide their own infamy.

But it will not work!

Socialism is turning its searchlight into this "den of vice" and all others which flourish under the patronage of capitalism as capitalism's own offspring, and the time is not far distant when the people will rise in their might and wine and the time is not are distant when the people will rise in their might and wipe out the infamous system which makes a "den of vice" of the capitol of the nation and fastens a redlight district, like a devouring cancer, under the very noses of its rulers, upon every city within its borders. noses of its rules within its borders.

## THE PRIZE IOKE.

Get ready for it, for it is a joke wot a joke. It is not an imitation, but is a joke. It is not an imitation, but the real thing, and strange as it may seem this gem of a love is in the trust question. Here it is:

If this is not a joke, a peach of a joke in full bloom, then the joke is certainly on us. Only since Taft has been president have the trusts felt the hand of the law.'

casion, but this is going to extremes.

When we think of Taft's "heavy hand" being laid on the trusts we cannot restrain ourselves from yelling to give vent to our hilarity. It is simply uproarious and from now on Taft's fame is fixed as the prize

joker of the age.

How Roosevelt will squirm when the

point of this joke penetrates his hide! Bill and Teddy used to be chums, but now they are administering political poison to each other. They are a beau-tiful brace of trust demolishers. They both laid the "heavy hand" on the trusts while the trusts laid the lucre in their rampaign nests.

The "heavy hand"! Whoopee! Let us all shout with glee and roar with

laughter!
Taft was put in the white house by the trusts, one of his brothers is the chief attorney for the sugar trust and the other was Morgan's guest of honor at the coronation of the English king.

No wonder Taft lays his fat "heavy

hand" on them and pets these darlings of his administration Taft and Teddy both stretched out their two hands behind them, itching palms upward, to the trusts, receiving pains upward, to the trusts, receiving their campaign contributions, while assuring the people that they were going to smash the trusts. But what's the use? This joke fixes it all.

Taft and his "heavy hand" on the

trusts is the solgan from now on.

Let us all laugh, laugh, and LAUGH!

Now that the "business" men of America are so openly hustling to merge the old political machines against So-cialism, the dub who says there are no classes will please go to the foot of the

## Taft Caught with the Goods

The Lyons case is in the hands of Attorney General Wickersham. You know what it is from publications that have been made in the APPEAL

Leslie J. Lyons, federal prosecutor for

the Western district of Missouri, is sub-

ject of disbarment proceedings instituted by Ernest B. Martin, a fellow attorney, who alleges many offenses on Lyon's part. The evidence Martin submits which has been printed in the APPEAL, shows that Lyons was guilty of "snitching," that is, of soliciting private prac-tice, using his public office as a means of taking business from other lawyers; that he, in connection with George L. Davis, who offices with Lyons and has his name on Lyons' letter heads as "as-sociated" with him, has taken numerous sociated" with him, has taken numerous damage cases of hig shippers, against railroad companies, and settled them out of court, thus practically nullifying a federal statute, which he is zworn to support, by establishing rebates. It has been proven that Lyons had secured an indictment against Martin for misuse of the mails in promoting an interurban line that was a rival of one in which Lyons was interested in promoting that Lyons was interested in promoting; that he had been attorney and agent for an Oregon land company whose transac-tions were so glaring they were subject of federal investigation; that he is attorney for a lumber company now under indictment in the federal courts; and that he, within a few years, has arisen from heavy indebtedness to possession of many thousand dollars above his salary, now constructing a \$12,000 residence in a fashionable district of Kan-

sas City.
The APPEAL cares nothing about Lyons personally. But its investigations, covering many years and practically every tederal court in America, shows that, with so few exceptions as to no that, with so few exceptions as to not be worth naming, practices of this kind prevail in all of them. The APPEAL has found that a certain clique of attorneys invariably know in advance of indict-ments to be brought, and the accused ments to be brought, and the accused are approached by agents of those attorneys with the suggestion that they are "very close to the federal judge." This was done when Warren was first indicted, and has been done in hundreds of cases investigated. Lyons has been a little bolder about it than others, doing his mark in the cosm that it all. ing his work in the open, that is all, But in this case an attorney has dared

do the unprecedented thing of protest-ing and making an attack on a federal prosecutor—questioning the authority of the king! In this case the matter is recall of judges and promises relief by impeachment, to see what he will do with his own appointee when caught with the goods. In this case Attorney with the goods. In this case Attorney General Wickersham, who boasts of prosecuting hundreds of rich offenders (and landing not one of them in jail) Wickersham, who is striking at the AP-PEAL because it exposed the corruption of a federal prison, is called on to see what he will do where there is guilt and he has the deciding of the matter.

Is the curbing of the courts all a hyp

ocritical pretence? Does the govern-ment at Washington stand behind a system that bargains in decisions, that mocks at rights of the people, and that always sides with the rich and powerful? Mr. Taft, Mr. Wickersham, what are

you going to do about it when you are thus caught with the goods on your

## The Free Horse A Horse which had escaped the hal-

ter, and in its newly found freedom cantered about the pasture tefusing to be taken, was approached by its Mas-ter with a pail of oats. The Master held up the tempting grain and let it trickle from his hand, at the same time calling in the softest voice imaginable Horse, while scorning to sell his lib-erty for the bribe of a meal, concluded from the tone of the man's voice that he was in a different mood, intending to be gentle and considerate hereafter so the animal permitted himself to be caught. No sooner, however, was he again in the halter than the Master larrupped him soundly for his rebellion.

OFTEN one meets up with a poor devil, one who has nothing and never will have under this system, who becomes have under this system, and a strong advocate for the integrity of the Morgan ownership. Such men are mortally afraid some injustice will be mortally arraid some injustice will be done in the effort to take over these properties. The Morgans have no such scruples. They take legally or otherwise. The Morgans do not need the help of the Morgans do not need the help of "heavy hand of the law." Roosevelt, his trust-busting predecessor, is not expected to see the joke in this. For him there is a dagger in these lines of Taft aimed at his seventh rib. Taft virtually says that Roosevelt let the trusts do as they pleased and that only when he became president was "the heavy hand of the law" laid upon them.

The "heavy hand"! Wow!! We cannot help but roar. This is too much. We are ourselves given to levity on occasion, but this is going to extremes. by—just as if they had anything in com-mon with royalty. The Morgans rely solely on the ignorance and supersti-tion of the masses to hold their ill-got-ten gains. So do the politicians used by the Morgans. But times are chang-ing. There is light ahead.

The little banks are going to make but little out of Aldrich currency steal proposition. It remains with the treasury department to arbitrarily decide whether or not they shall be permitted to issue bank notes based on their other securities. In other words they are going to experience the beauties of government, not by law, but by rulings.

In organizing the American Labo and Property association at 29 (not 26). Broadway, the assertion is made that unless something radical is done Socialism will rule the United States within fifty years. The property asses should revise their estimate. They are going to help to bring it within ten years.

The Journal, of Sydney, Ohio, answers the question as to whether the boy scout movement is a military organization. In speaking of a meeting held at the Methodist church for the purpose of organizing a battalion it says: "This is a military organization for boys?" Is military organization for boys." that plain enough?

WALL STREET recently howled down demonstration by the suffragetts. Some of these days that Wall will tumble at the shouting of the people, just as the walls of Jericho are alleged to have done in ancient times.

You imagine you have a job, but you are mistaken. The job belongs to the boss and not to you. He can take it away whenever he wishes. You will never really have a job until Socialism

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## More Shells Needed

The "offs" get the best of it week, and the "ons" are on the This won't do at all. General Oti mand of the "offs" in the division concentrated his entire fore California and she fell. Fell will loss of 602 killed and wounded the "ons" under the direction of eral Circulation Gink have gath their scattered forces, the Ohio fleet has started round the Horn for California coast, and we will surely hack this chysteld wantage ground back this coveted vantage ground

fore long.
General Hitchcock (postmaster we mailed as many papers. Just w the dickens we are going to gextra \$21,000 we don't exactly but—well, the Army has never yet in the Appear in its critical moments Colonel Taft—not Willie— chief staff of mail distribution in this di-

is camping on our flank and throw up fortifications which from our p observation looks almost impr ble. A messenger from his ing a flag of truce, visited us the would add an expense of at least \$10.0 more a year. Our ultimatum was back to Colonel Taft, and after a days' parley a request came for a fur-ther conference on January 12, 1913

Until then hostilities will cease.

Sargeant Pollock and Corporal B re preparing for their advance ammunition. It is up to you to get it is and get it here on the Our guns will use shells of the follow

ing brands only:

A bunch of subs—lots of one dozen at \$32
preferred and you get a copy of the Arsenal

Arreaus each week for \$3, and you get a copy of the Arsenal free.

An order for an eards—a dozen or more, and you get a copy of the Arsenal free.

An order for sub cards—a dozen or more, and you get a copy of the Arsenal free.

A Life-Time Subscription of \$5.00. Here's the standing of the two armies: More 7 han 50,000.

Pennsylvania ..1,312 1.320 More Than 40,000. 2 Ohlo .. .. ....1,103 2,001 More Than 30,000. 3 California ....1,821 629 More Than 20,000. More Than 15,000.

Missouri .. . . 607 518 Illinois .. . . . 443 493 More Than 10,000. 10 Washington 610 k11 Michigan 246 k12 Kansas 490 13 Minnesota 625 k14 Arkansas 247 More Than 5.000.

Colorado
West Virginia ..
New Jersey ...
Massachusetta ...

More Than 3,000. More Than 2,000.

87 Canada . . . 165 38 Minaissippi . . . 78 x39 Arizona . . . . 68 More Than 1,000. On the Sick List.

Total .... 15,094 14,139 474.776 States marked "x" show gain for week

## WATCH ROOSEVELT!

The La Follette boom is simply a cosevelt boom in disguise. The cloves Roosevelt boom in disguise. The cloves hoof is now clearly revealed. Under the above caption the APPEAL "called the turn" several weeks ago. And now the press dispatches confirm it. The republican national committee is in ser-sion in Washington and the announcesion in Washington and the announce ment is now made from there that the nomination 'must be forced upon Rossevelt.' Of course! Just as Harriman campaign contributions were forced upon him.

Roosevelt has been the victim of any number of these solitical cases.

number of these political rapes.

Here is the present situation: Take is a Jonah. He is altogether too clumsy and has made such a mess of it that he will not do at all. The progressive sentiment is all against him. This sentiment timent must be fanned into a flame wit La Follette as the patron saint of \$2

But La Follette can only develop land ted power between now and the convention. This power, however, will be a pretty hot proposition, and while La Follette cannot be nominated it will not do to nominate Tatt for that would

mean certain defeat.

In fact, the nomination of either Taff or La Follette would mean division and disaster. What then? Why, Rosecett, of course, the only man to save the day for the great of the course of the course of the only man to save the day for the great of the course of t for the g. o. p. and once more s nation. In this political cottil Follette, is playing second in Roosevelt, with the understanding he nomination will go to La in 1016.

La Folletteism, therefore, for the present at least, is simply Rooseveltism and means another term of rough ridge and trust-busting at Washington, the greatest hippodrome on earth-