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The gas strike in Chicago has broken out afresh. Cause: Discharge of 258 union men, in violation of the decision of the Chicago board of arbitration. In other words, arbitration does not arbitrate anything. Strikes are a great waste and do not settle the question of opposition between capitalists and laborers. Only socialism can settle that, and the way to settle it is a strike against the old

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All the faculty of the New Mexico Normal University has resigned because the governor forces ignorant politicians into it to serve his corrupt purposes. All the students protested, but the governor prefers to have the school as a political adjunct to help the party in power. Thus we see that even the public schools are used for capitalism. No more public ownership until the capitalists have been dethroned. The faculty should now go to preaching Socialism, under which the educational affairs would be left wholly to those engaged in it.

Judge Sherwood, for twenty years one of the judges of the Missouri supreme court, says that a law of any state that gives the citizens a vote on any measure, "the initiative and referendum," is unconstitutional. You can readily see what this Democrat would do if he were on the supreme bench of the United States. Anything that would give the power back to the people would be unconstitutional. Anything that leaves it in the hands of irresponsible and corrupt politicians is constitutional. And the people vote for such men! Yes, the Democratic party is in favor of the people!

Congressman Campbell of the Third Kansas district, tells an interviewer that the farm hands have a snap now—getting \$20 to \$25 a month. How would he like to work for that? He draws \$416 a month and another \$100 a month for clerk hire, has his pocket full of passes, does no useful labor, dresses in the finest. The men who work on the farm are entitled to as much pay as he is—more in fact, for they are necessary to sustain society while congressmen are engaged in serving corporations that are destroying society. Yes, it is pretty talk but the working classes will pay for it.

The salt trust has pleaded guilty of holding a monopoly of salt in the United States court at San Francisco. It has held a monopoly thirteen years and the court has just found it out! It raised the price of salt from \$2 to \$32 a ton. But that is not robbery! That is merely a matter of business! For the public to take the whole salt business and operate it for the benefit of the human family—that would be robbery! The Salt Trust will continue to do business at the old stand and at the high prices, notwithstanding their guilt. The only remedy is taking the property away from them.

The postal corruption exposures show what would be the result if the government took over the railroads while the capitalists control things; the laws passed to imprison workers on government railroads in Belgium, Holland and Australia show to what lengths capitalist controllers of government will go. It will not be to the interest of the people to have more public ownership so long as the capitalists control the nation. It would be only giving them that much more power to oppress the working class. The first thing is to elect Socialists, take the government from the capitalists and then proceed to take over the property of the robbers for the benefit of the working class.

The old party politicians in Anacoda, Mont., instigated by the corporations, tried to prevent the Socialists from taking office. It was found that an attempt had been made to keep them from filing their oaths within the time limit of ten days, and the court house had been locked by the ex-mayor in order to make it impossible for the Socialists to transact business. As a result, the people of Anacoda have heard a great deal more about Socialism than they ever did before. Everybody wants to know what those dangerous Socialists have done to force the old party politicians into such illegal methods, and the difference between a capitalist anarchist and a Socialist working man has been made quite plain.

The superintendent of free delivery in the postal system has been arrested for bribery. He is charged with having received about \$40,000 for giving contracts connected with postal supplies. He is a Republican. That is Republican methods. The Credit Mobiler, the whiskey ring, the star route, the long list of thefts have made that party famous as the producer of the worst set of criminals that ever were let loose on a nation. And the conditions still remain. Other men will be appointed, have the opportunity to get rich and will do it. No other result can obtain so long as private capitalism lasts. These things would occur with any party in power under the present system. Only by changing the system—by establishing Socialism—can there be any change. Such men as this officer are the push behind the Republican party. They are the scum that comes to the surface.

The New Voice of Chicago is indignant because the governor of prohibition Kansas has appointed the attorney for the St. Louis beer interests probate judge of Shawnee county, in which Wichita is located, and which office controls the prosecutions concerning the violations of the constitutional prohibitory law. A little thing like that should not worry the Voice. It is logical to the private profit system. The prohibition law is a dead letter in Kansas because by violating it men can make profit. If the liquor traffic were a public function (with all other industry) nobody would make any profit by handling it and it would not cause anyone to violate the law to make profit, for there would be no profit in it. The way to solve the liquor traffic is to socialize all industry—to vote and work for Socialism. Then the rules that a majority decree can be enforced because there will be no private interest served by violating them.

There are so many things in the daily press these days upon which the light of the Socialist should be thrown, that it is possible to notice only the most extraordinary. A new phase in the commercial world appears in Indiana. It seems that there is in that state a merchant named A. F. Norton who owns eight stores, and who runs them "as Christ would." He bought a bankrupt store at Hartford City the other day and began his selling goods at just what they cost him, and taking produce and selling it at just what he paid in goods. He gets church people to help sell the goods and this has brought a boycott against him by all the other merchants and their influence. The landlord refused to rent him a room, but another one was rented. What I desire to especially call your attention to is this: That if one does deny himself profit under this system he is at once a public enemy—a disturber of the business relations. The common people are considered the rightful prey of the commercial class and any one who would break this graft is naturally set upon as an enemy that must be crushed. It is said that Norton gets the trade, as the people will naturally buy where they can buy the cheapest.

Henry Demarest Lloyd, who has for years been a consistent friend of the laboring masses, though a wealthy man, warns laboring people to beware of the profit-sharing schemes offered them by the capitalists. It is done solely for the purpose of skinning them out of more of their labor.

How any man or woman can work hard all day and go home to poor fare served in a mean boarding house or shanty or rented rooms for a home, while others ride about, spend lots of money, go home to a palace and be served by working people's sons and daughters, and never do a lick of useful work. I say how such things can be and bring content is beyond my comprehension. And then to think the men will vote to continue the same condition, by voting the same old tickets! This is a world of curiously lopsided people.

The San Francisco Star of Feb. 28, prints a cable from Manila about the sale of slaves—one girl bringing 150 pesos and another 100 pesos. You know the American flag floats over Manila! But who cares? We abolished slavery by the constitution—and we abolished the liquor traffic in Kansas the same way. To make PROFIT men care nothing about the constitution. The corporations obey no law they don't want and the other commercial pirates are like them. Slavery still exists in this country and what are you going to do about it?

MCCARTNEY DEAD.

At about the time when last week's edition was about half printed Comrade Mally telegraphed us from Massachusetts of the death of Comrade McCartney, Socialist member of the Massachusetts legislature. We immediately stopped the press and published the telegram in full. The immediate cause of the death was pneumonia, but this was brought on by overwork, in behalf of the cause we all love. He was a Unitarian clergyman, but gave up active pulpit work four years ago to devote his time to the Socialist movement. His last public work was to perform the marriage ceremony for National Secretary Mally.

GOVERNED BY THIEVES.

The grand jury reports in St. Louis show that the St. Louis street car companies paid \$250,000 in bribing legislators and state officers, paying from \$500 to \$1500 per vote, besides giving large blocks of their stock to members. The baking powder trust used \$25,000 in bribery of the legislature, while the excise commissioners used \$10,000 to prevent their fees from being reduced. These are the fellows who oppose Socialism. They are the eminently respectable class who uphold the laws! They vote the capitalist tickets. If the public owned and operated the street car systems, if the baking powder were made by the public, and public officials were all paid the same, do you think this bribery would have occurred? Hardly. For no one would have profited by the franchise of street car or the adulteration of the baking powder with poisonous ingredients because they are cheaper. How stupid the public must be to have these things go on day after day, and yet vote the same old way. Socialism will prevent these incidents, as it will take away the profit that is made by them.

WORSE THAN SAVAGES.

Dr. Perry, before the state association of physicians at St. Paul, Minn., stated that the wealthy families of this country were worse in every way than the African savages. He said in part: "Christians look with abhorrence on Mohammedans who take plural wives and are true to them, yet many of our Americans indulge in twice the wives of the ignorant savage and are untrue to all. Vice and immorality are rampant among all classes. Physicians can bear witness to this. To gauge the state of American manhood one has only to count the thousands of fallen women in every city."

The Appeal has always held that the moral character and the honesty of every nation were connected to its working class. The mental attitude that develops in the pursuit of wealth is degrading, and the possession of wealth is degrading, as it raises up the next generation surrounded by lackeys and churls as servants, and leaves them no occupation except amusements which always sap the physical and mental stamina. The children of the rich are vile and worthless, as a rule.

REVOLUTION IN ILLINOIS

Capitalist Anarchists Violate Constitution

AND DEFY ALL MAN MADE LAWS

Republican Machine Tries to Clutch Down Democratic Majority with Speaker's Rule and Defeat Municipal Ownership.

The railway corporations of Chicago, the representatives of Morgan and Yerkes, instigated the republican party machine, under the leadership of Governor Yates, speaker Miller and boss Lorimer, to oppose the municipal ownership legislation, known as the Miller bill, and instead club another bill through which would turn the city over to the corporations for another twenty years. However, it was found that a majority of the house were in favor of the Miller bill. When it was time to take a vote on the bill, the majority demanded a roll call. But the speaker refused this, in spite of the plain provision of the constitution, which declares that a roll call must be taken on request of three members. The house came to a deadlock and nothing was accomplished until the majority finally took things into their own hands and forced the speaker to fly from the room.

The republican machine then sought to defend their course by raising every charge against the advancement of the Miller bill, but failed to accomplish their purpose. These old party politicians do not care for law and order. And they have no respect for the constitution. They pose a Socialist speaker as a danger to the majority of the house, and like that, would not let the press make the air ring with the howls of anarchism, trampling the constitution, insulting the law-abiding people, and so forth. The capitalist governor can't stand to see an adversary, and he will happen. And the capitalist and the political boss can't stand the will of the majority of the people and their representatives, and is only a thing that will happen in an "investigation."

Neither the democratic nor the republican politicians will have other's eye out. The one is as bad as the other, and if the people know, it would probably be that the same capitalist would be taking the wires behind the scenes. Even if the municipal ownership should go through, the republican of Chicago will not be the republican of the state. The democratic politicians will be off, and the working class will get the skin milk, as they do not very much of that either. If the working class will control everything in and out of Chicago, they can own and control the whole United States. They can control the earth, and turn it all capitalist revolution, the life, liberty and happiness of the working people by voting Socialism. And mark you, vote Socialism, not on the democratic ticket, but ON THE SOCIALIST TICKET.

THE SEVENTH DISTRICT

The returns from the seventh district are coming in, and it is not enough have been received to indicate that we have polled one thousand votes. The hand are from but six counties, thirty-six and are as follows:

Sedgwick
Barber
Klowa
Harvey
Corbin pct.
Chase pct.
Preston
Anthony twp.
Anthony City

One of the "savage heroes" returned from the Philippines in an interview in Denver, where Filipino made good soldiers. He made no difference between them were killed. Think of the tremendous brutality, will you? It is just what the Roman general thought when they conquered a country and forced the inhabitants to become allies of the Roman legions. They were no more for killing their own than the Americans over here in the Philippines. The Filipinos are exhibiting a rich ground for the old manhood.

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All the faculty of the New Mexico Normal University has resigned because the governor forces ignorant politicians into it to serve his corrupt purposes. All the students protested, but the governor prefers to have the school as a political adjunct to help the party in power. Thus we see that even the public schools are used for capitalism. No more public ownership until the capitalists have been dethroned. The faculty should now go to preaching Socialism, under which the educational affairs would be left wholly to those engaged in it.

Judge Sherwood, for twenty years one of the judges of the Missouri supreme court, says that a law of any state that gives the citizens a vote on any measure, "the initiative and referendum," is unconstitutional. You can readily see what this Democrat would do if he were on the supreme bench of the United States. Anything that would give the power back to the people would be unconstitutional. Anything that leaves it in the hands of irresponsible and corrupt politicians is constitutional. And the people vote for such men! Yes, the Democratic party is in favor of the people!

Congressman Campbell of the Third Kansas district, tells an interviewer that the farm hands have a snap now—getting \$20 to \$25 a month. How would he like to work for that? He draws \$416 a month and another \$100 a month for clerk hire, has his pocket full of passes, does no useful labor, dresses in the finest. The men who work on the farm are entitled to as much pay as he is—more in fact, for they are necessary to sustain society while congressmen are engaged in serving corporations that are destroying society. Yes, it is pretty talk but the working classes will pay for it.

The salt trust has pleaded guilty of holding a monopoly of salt in the United States court at San Francisco. It has held a monopoly thirteen years and the court has just found it out! It raised the price of salt from \$2 to \$32 a ton. But that is not robbery! That is merely a matter of business! For the public to take the whole salt business and operate it for the benefit of the human family—that would be robbery! The Salt Trust will continue to do business at the old stand and at the high prices, notwithstanding their guilt. The only remedy is taking the property away from them.

The postal corruption exposures show what would be the result if the government took over the railroads while the capitalists control things; the laws passed to imprison workers on government railroads in Belgium, Holland and Australia show to what lengths capitalist controllers of government will go. It will not be to the interest of the people to have more public ownership so long as the capitalists control the nation. It would be only giving them that much more power to oppress the working class. The first thing is to elect Socialists, take the government from the capitalists and then proceed to take over the property of the robbers for the benefit of the working class.

The old party politicians in Anacosta, Mont., instigated by the corporations, tried to prevent the Socialists from taking office. It was found that an attempt had been made to keep them from filing their oaths within the time limit of ten days, and the court house had been locked by the ex-mayor in order to make it impossible for the Socialists to transact business. As a result, the people of Anacosta have heard a great deal more about Socialism than they ever did before. Everybody wants to know what those dangerous Socialists have done to force the old party politicians into such illegal methods, and the difference between a capitalist anarchist and a Socialist working man has been made quite plain.

The superintendent of free delivery in the postal system has been arrested for bribery. He is charged with having received about \$40,000 for giving contracts connected with postal supplies. He is a Republican. That is Republican methods. The Credit Mobiler, the whiskey ring, the star route, the long list of thefts have made that party famous as the producer of the worst set of criminals that ever were let loose on a nation. And the conditions still remain. Other men will be appointed, have the opportunity to get rich and will do it. No other result can obtain so long as private capitalism lasts. These things would occur with any party in power under the present system. Only by changing the system—by establishing Socialism—can there be any change. Such men as this officer are the push behind the Republican party. They are the scum that comes to the surface.

The New Voice of Chicago is indignant because the governor of prohibition Kansas has appointed the attorney for the St. Louis beer interests probate judge of Shawnee county, in which Wichita is located, and which office controls the prosecutions concerning the violations of the constitutional prohibitory law. A little thing like that should not worry the Voice. It is logical to the private profit system. The prohibition law is a dead letter in Kansas because by violating it men can make profit. If the liquor traffic were a public function (with all other industry) nobody would make any profit by handling it and it would not cause anyone to violate the law to make profit, for there would be no profit in it. The way to solve the liquor traffic is to socialize all industry—to vote and work for Socialism. Then the rules that a majority decree can be enforced because there will be no private interest served by violating them.

There are so many things in the daily press these days upon which the light of the Socialist should be thrown, that it is possible to notice only the most extraordinary. A new phase in the commercial world appears in Indiana. It seems that there is in that state a merchant named A. F. Norton who owns eight stores, and who runs them "as Christ would." He bought a bankrupt store at Hartford City the other day and began his selling goods at just what they cost him, and taking produce and selling it at just what he paid in goods. He gets church people to help sell the goods and this has brought a boycott against him by all the other merchants and their influence. The landlord refused to rent him a room, but another one was rented. What I desire to especially call your attention to is this: That if one does deny himself profit under this system he is at once a public enemy—a disturber of the business relations. The common people are considered the rightful prey of the commercial class and any one who would break this graft is naturally set upon as an enemy that must be crushed. It is said that Norton gets the trade, as the people will naturally buy where they can buy the cheapest.

Henry Demarest Lloyd, who has for years been a consistent friend of the laboring masses, though a wealthy man, warns laboring people to beware of the profit-sharing schemes offered them by the capitalists. It is done solely for the purpose of skinning them out of more of their labor.

How any man or woman can work hard all day and go home to poor fare served in a mean boarding house or shanty or rented rooms for a home, while others ride about, spend lots of money, go home to a palace and be served by working people's sons and daughters, and never do a lick of useful work. I say how such things can be and bring content is beyond my comprehension. And then to think the men will vote to continue the same condition, by voting the same old tickets! This is a world of curiously lopsided people.

The San Francisco Star of Feb. 28, prints a cable from Manila about the sale of slaves—one girl bringing 150 pesos and another 100 pesos. You know the American flag floats over Manila! But who cares? We abolished slavery by the constitution—and we abolished the liquor traffic in Kansas the same way. To make PROFIT men care nothing about the constitution. The corporations obey no law they don't want and the other commercial pirates are like them. Slavery still exists in this country and what are you going to do about it?

McCARTNEY DEAD.

At about the time when last week's edition was about half printed Comrade Mally telegraphed us from Massachusetts of the death of Comrade McCartney, Socialist member of the Massachusetts legislature. We immediately stopped the press and published the telegram in full. The immediate cause of the death was pneumonia, but this was brought on by overwork, in behalf of the cause we all love. He was a Unitarian clergyman, but gave up active pulpit work four years ago to devote his time to the Socialist movement. His last public work was to perform the marriage ceremony for National Secretary Mally.

GOVERNED BY THIEVES.

The grand jury reports in St. Louis show that the St. Louis street car companies paid \$250,000 in bribing legislators and state officers, paying from \$500 to \$1500 per vote, besides giving large blocks of their stock to members. The baking powder trust used \$25,000 in bribery of the legislature, while the excise commissioners used \$10,000 to prevent their fees from being reduced. These are the fellows who oppose Socialism. They are the eminently respectable class who uphold the laws! They vote the capitalist tickets. If the public owned and operated the street car systems, if the baking powder were made by the public, and public officials were all paid the same, do you think this bribery would have occurred? Hardly. For no one would have profited by the franchise of street car or the adulteration of the baking powder with poisonous ingredients because they are cheaper. How stupid the public must be to have these things go on day after day, and yet vote the same old way. Socialism will prevent these incidents, as it will take away the profit that is made by them.

WORSE THAN SAVAGES.

Dr. Perry, before the state association of physicians at St. Paul, Minn., stated that the wealthy families of this country were worse in every way than the African savages. He said in part: "Christians look with abhorrence on Mohammedans who take plural wives and are true to them, yet many of our Americans indulge in twice the wives of the ignorant savage and are untrue to all. Vice and immorality are rampant among all classes. Physicians can bear witness to this. To gauge the state of American manhood one has only to count the thousands of fallen women in every city."

The Appeal has always held that the moral character and the honesty of every nation were connected to its working class. The mental attitude that develops in the pursuit of wealth is degrading, and the possession of wealth is degrading, as it raises up the next generation surrounded by lackeys and churls as servants, and leaves them no occupation except amusements which always sap the physical and mental stamina. The children of the rich are vile and worthless, as a rule.

REVOLUTION IN ILLINOIS

Capitalist Anarchists Violate Constitution

AND DEFY ALL MAN MADE LAWS

Republican Machine Tries to Crush Down Democratic Majority with Speaker's Rule and Defeat Municipal Ownership.

The railway corporations of Chicago, the representatives of Morgan and Yerkes, instigated the republican party machine, under the leadership of Governor Yates, speaker Miller and boss Lorimer, to oppose the municipal ownership legislation, known as the Miller bill, and instead club another bill through which would turn the city over to the corporations for another twenty years. However, it was found that a majority of the house were in favor of the Miller bill. When it was time to take a vote on the bill, the majority demanded a roll call. But the speaker refused this, in spite of the plain provision of the constitution, which declares that a roll call must be taken on request of three members. The house came to a deadlock and nothing was accomplished until the majority finally took things into their own hands and forced the speaker to fly from the room.

The republican machine then sought to defend their course by raising every charge against the advancement of the Miller bill, but failed to accomplish their purpose. These old party politicians do not care for law and order. And they have no respect for the constitution. They pose a Socialist speaker as a threat to treat the majority of the house like that, would not the press make the air ring with howls of anarchism, trampling the constitution, insulting the law-abiding people, and so forth? The capitalist governor can do anything he wishes, and the political boss can do anything he wishes, and the will of the majority of the people and their representatives, is only a thing that will happen to be an "investigation."

Neither the democratic nor the republican politicians will have another's eye out. The one is as bad as the other, and if the people know, it would probably be that the same capitalist would be pulling the wires behind both. Even if the municipal ownership should go through, the republican of Chicago will not be the republican of the rest of the state. The democratic politicians will be off, and the working class will get the skin milk, as they do not very much of that either. If the working class will only think their minds, they can control everything in and out of Chicago. They can own and control the whole United States. They can control the earth, and turn it all capitalist revolution, the life, liberty and happiness of the working people by voting Socialism. And mark you, vote Socialism, not on the democratic ticket, but ON THE SOCIALIST TICKET.

THE SEVENTH DISTRICT

The returns from the seventh district are coming in, and it is not enough have been received to indicate that we have polled one thousand votes. The hand are from but six counties, thirty-six and are as follows:

Sedgwick Barber Kiowa Harvey Corbin pct. Chase pct. Preston Anthony twp. Anthony City

One of the "savage heroes" returned from the Philippines in an interview in Denver, where Filipino made good soldiers. He made no difference between them were killed. Think of the tremendous brutality, will you? It is just what the Roman general thought when they conquered a country and forced the inhabitants to become allies of the Roman legions. They were no more for killing their own than the Americans over here in the Philippines. The Filipinos are exhibiting a rich ground for the old manhood.

