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Renting Under Socialism

Under Socialism, should I build a home and another building on the sea coast for summer, would I have the right to rent it to a yacht club? Or if I had a yacht and did not wish to make use of it, could I rent it?

CONFISCATION.

The capitalists and their henchmen are continually wanting to confiscate the property of the present owners. They are so very much opposed to confiscation. Read this dispatch and see how they are opposed to confiscation. They confiscate the property of the little law-breakers, but they do not touch the stolen property of the millionaire bribers and criminals. Not much.

The Transfer to Public Property

Does Socialism propose the abolition of money? And what methods will be adopted to get control of the railroads? In the transitional state money would be necessary, but when all industries were organized completely, money would not be needed, and things that are not needed fall into disuse. But that is a matter which the men who are new republicans and democrats will decide for themselves.

OLD PARTY BETRAYERS.

Every movement against the plutocracy of the nation has been betrayed and destroyed by one or the other of old parties. They both stand guard over the ill-gotten gains of the rich. The greenback movement was killed by the pretension of the old parties to favor it; the old Union Labor movement was sold out by its leaders; the people's party was fused and delivered to the democrats, only to be cast aside as a vile thing when its organization was destroyed.

The Independent Farmer.

The farmer does not live as well as the average mechanic. He works longer hours and his wife works still longer; he does not have as good a house as the mechanic; he has no amusement or recreation. The farmer works twelve to fifteen hours a day and his wife works eighteen. The mechanic works eight or ten at most, and the wife of the mechanic dresses better, has more leisure, more neighbors, attends more theatres, entertainments and socials than the farmer's wife.

PEACE, WHEN THERE IS NO PEACE

Danville, Illinois, has just re-enacted the Evansville, Indiana, butchery. Twenty-one people were shot by the sheriff while attempting to storm the jail and lynch a colored rapist. The crowd had just lynched and burned a negro. The capitalist produces conditions that are largely inedible. There is always a cause for every effect. In view of the many killings and burnings of negroes for unmentionable crimes, is it not well that we look into the matter from a historical standpoint and see if there is not something wrong. At the close of the war an Atlanta, Ga., newspaper printed this:

Compensation Under Socialism

Under Socialism how would a man be compensated for a stock of merchandise in a country merchant with \$200 stock or a wholesale merchant with a great stock? T. A. SPIVEY, Rio Vista, Col. In the beginning of the Socialist control of the great monopolies will be taken over by the people, either by confiscation, purchase, building camping plants, or taxation. With these at the command of the people, the public will furnish better employment for the working class than the capitalist class ever gave them.

Great Scott! It was only a few weeks ago that the Appeal was howling for action to send a man to Alabama to agitate for Socialism, as there was no evidence that there was one in the state, and now comes floating into my den a copy of "The Southern Socialist" from Bessemer, Ala., by Comrade G. W. Fricke—a neat 12-page monthly. Is it growing? Does a duck swim?

Hugens V. Debs made a tremendous hit at the Keating Okla., Chattanooga. The Keatings and pap-suckers did not like it, but that shows he said something that ought to have been said.

Notwithstanding that there are fifteen hundred laborers idle in Anaconada, the smelters have advertisements east for laborers. The smelters are largely idle because the owners are determined to down the unions. A shift-boss McCabe has been arrested for having forced ignorant Austrians and Italians to give up large sums of money for the privilege of working in the smelters.

These watches are ready for delivery to those citizens who have complied with the conditions for which they were made. To any comrade who sends in 20 subscribers, or buys that many subscription cards to be later filled out, before the first of January next, will receive one of these watches, with an engraved inscription of presentation. In the future, when the movement shall become the dominant factor in the nation, these watches will bear the evidence of who were the first to shoulder the responsibilities of advocating and bringing in the Great and Glorious Social Change.

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We have considerable annoyance and friction in the office because many letters pertaining to the office business are mailed to employees. In a large plant like the Appeal, employees are coming and going, are often absent from the office, letters are delayed and remittances thrown out of their place in the office machinery. Please address all letters relating to the work to the "Appeal to Reason," and not to any employe or head of department. Letters for the various departments will be delivered to the proper persons on the sorting of the mails. J. A. WATLAND.

HOW TO RAISE CHILDREN. The ungrateful and immoral habit of many working men to marry, thus curtailing the supply of future labor, is execrable. Any industrious man can afford to raise children, and with proper management they soon become a source of income, enabling the parents to subsist on lower wages, increasing the dividend of employers and thus enlarging the support of church and state, and the spread of the gospel of Christian civilization and the heathen in foreign lands.

In Darkest America. The Editor of the Alliance of the Rockies, Denver, Colorado, in Jail.

Alliance of the Rockies. Alliance readers who are personally acquainted with Carrie L. Johnson, one of the editors of this paper, will be astonished to learn that on Tuesday evening, July 23, at about 8:20 o'clock, she was arrested and jailed.

The circumstances attending this affair are as follows: During the day, while in editorial rooms, she was waited upon by a committee from Denver Local, who bore an invitation for her to speak upon the street at the corner of Sixteenth and Champa. She asked the writer what she should do. In answer she was told to act upon her own judgment. She did so, accepting the invitation. She did not have a cent, and for one reason, that I have written for her, she did not stand at any meeting, for another, I think I can say my time to much better advantage in meetings where listeners can sit.

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LABOR HAS NO REAL HOLIDAY

LABOR has no real holiday in the 365-Labor Day—how long would it take it right thinking were done to multiply holidays. If Labor gets but one holiday in 365—without pay—what portion does it receive of its total product? If Labor produces all wealth how comes it that the laborer has so little wealth? He must be a generous soul.

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Miss Johnson had been speaking perhaps twenty minutes when a policeman, who made his way through the crowd, ordered her to move on. She called out, "I will not unless you move me with you." In as quiet and lady-like tone as though in a parlor and she was replying to some friendly offer. The policeman said: "You are arrested," and started with her toward Curtis street.

We men were ordered to follow. We went into a barred hallway, a barred gate was unlocked, and "in there." In there we went, a room about twelve to sixteen feet square, with the doors and two men without coats leaning in one corner on a bench; two more nearer center of side; another one on another side; one in shirt and pants walking the floor; another one, a Chinese, crazy from opium or something else, on the other. Was not long there before I was growing sick. Could not stand such an odor; my lungs and nostrils were intended for pure air. I asked the officer when he locked us in: "How long will I have to stay here?" "Until you get your head out." "Some one will pay dearly for every minute I am here."

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Lese Majesty and Contempt of Court.

The "divinely appointed" rulers of Europe are standing above the law. They are not responsible for their actions. Their persons are regarded as sacred and inviolable.

It must be admitted that the rulers are performing their mission to the letter. No crime is more frequent than that of lese majesty. And every time a man is punished for this offense, he is brought to realize the folly of sustaining so useless a parasite as a king.

The people of the United States committed a crime of lese majesty against King George by kicking him out of the country. But they could not be punished, and George's divine appointment ended then and there.

But it seems that immediately after their lucid spell, the people of the United States again relapsed into their former mental inertia.

I will dwell only shortly on the folly of electing, at a great expense of energy, time, and money, several hundred congressmen, and then giving to one man the authority of appointing for a life time nine judges of the supreme court.

However, there is a power as despotic as that of the supreme court in the hands of every two by four judge. That power is wielded by the injunction and the contempt of court proceedings.

But this, again, is as it should be. It is the old royal scourge under a new name. And it performs the same service as the rod of monarchy. Under present conditions, this scourge is so much more effective, as it is a weapon of the capitalist class against the working class.

The organized working men of the United States will not be slow in finding out, that there is only one way to escape the crime of lese court majesty and remove the court rulers, and that is by voting the Socialist ticket.

The Socialist Party is the only political party that transforms the courts from weapons of the capitalist class into weapons of the working class.

When the courts of this country will be in the hands of the workers, it will be the turn of the working class to wield the scourge of class rule against the capitalists.

But when this struggle will be ended by the victory of the working class throughout the land, then the supreme courts and the police courts will be abolished, and the free men of this country will submit to no other court but a jury of their peers.

method will be the most appropriate. The science of Socialism does not only furnish the weapons for the political class struggle of the proletariat but also establishes the idea of evolution on the basis of economic determinism in every movement of the human mind.

religious organizations are the tools of the ruling class, the question of the relation of religion to politics becomes one of supreme moment to the Socialist. It cannot be evaded, because it is forced on our attention by the religious opponents of Socialism.

It is plain that with religion in itself we are not concerned. But we are forced to meet the organization that uses religion as a cloak for political agitation against Socialism. No matter what may be the denomination of such an organization, it is an avowed enemy of Socialism, and takes advantage of the fact that it may transform itself in the wink of an eye from a political into a church organization.

There is only one safe way of meeting the problem, and meet it we must. We must use the materialist conception of history in a calm and scientific manner to analyze the history and psychology of the church organizations that attack us, and we must at the same time educate our workers and the masses to an understanding of the fact that an objective discussion is not identical with denunciation.

The position of the Appeal to Reason is, therefore, that our main emphasis must be laid on the application of the class struggle and the materialist conception of history to economics and politics. But at the same time we must establish our right to free speech, and to the untrammelled application of the materialist conception of history to economics and politics.

To this I take the most emphatic exception. In the fight against the capitalist leaders of the churches. Let your light shine on every antagonistic avenue of human thought! The result will be a stronger Socialist movement and a wider spread of Socialist sentiment.

Foreign Notes

RUSSIA. A circular of the Russian Minister of Education to the district superintendents calls their attention to the decrease of discipline in the schools, and cites cases of propaganda hostile to the government and of open revolt against the school authorities.

FRANCE. In Croisy (Cehr), June 21, the Socialists won a victory in the municipal partial elections. Six comrades, Charles Guery, Jean Chamignon, Pierre Barrou, Gabriel Leclain, Francois Guillon, and Gilbert Bernheux were elected with a strong majority.

DENMARK. A government commission to investigate providing and making bread for the army and to offer plans for improvement, appointed by the Danish Minister of War Madsen, visited on July 10, the Workers' Co-operative Bakery in Copenhagen. It is the largest and best bakery in Denmark. The manager of the co-operative, who is a Socialist member of parliament, C. C. Andersen, and G. C. Olsen, a member of the co-operative's managing board, and editor of the Socialist journal, Socialdemokraten, showed the gentlemen the bakery and explained its arrangements. The commission expressed the greatest appreciation for the sensible management.

ENGLAND. In the House of Commons recently Sir William Anson said that in London there are 60,000 children who are underfed, underclothed and physically inferior.

GERMANY. Berlin Vorwaerts of July 14, gives the following statistics of the German parliamentary elections: "In the main election, 1902, there were in all, 12,499,969 persons entitled to vote; in 1908 there were 11,441,994. In 1902 the valid votes cast amounted to 8,452,822; in 1908, there were 7,732,532. The number of persons entitled to vote has increased by 1,057,966; the number of votes cast has increased by 1,743,258. The Party of the Non-Voters has sank from 2,538,491 to 2,394,758. The Socialists with more than three million votes have surpassed even the hitherto strongest party, that of the non voters. The Socialists are not only stronger than all

middle class parties, but have also beaten the lazy mass of the indifferent. The dividing power of Socialism reveals itself also in history of the German people. This time, from the same which has hitherto existed that their largest party was composed of non-voters. The Socialists now form almost a third of the actual voters and almost a fourth of those entitled to vote."

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REVOLUTION IMMINENT. Judge C. C. Goodwin, of Salt Lake, is one of the most eminent journalists in the United States. He was for a quarter of a century editor of the Salt Lake Tribune. He is a man of large political experience and of eminently conservative judgment—the farthest writer in the world from political sensationalism or clamorously howling. Yet under the title of this article he thus expresses his opinion of the political outlook.

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SOCIALISM NOT A REFORM. (R. H. Sherrill, Boise, Idaho.) As we understand the principles of Socialism they do not commend themselves to the intelligent thinking mind as principles of reform, but rather to re-organize; to create a new state of series of conditions. Established upon the great principles of equality, truth and justice. This being true under Socialism it will be impossible for the stupendous world-wide evils of the political, moral, social, religious, economic and commercial conditions of the present order to continue to exist.

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Free Scholarship Fund. The American Socialist College, Wichita, Kansas, is establishing a FREE SCHOLARSHIP FUND in order to furnish instruction to worthy persons desiring to train themselves for active campaign work. We believe the fund can be made sufficiently large to give instruction to one person from each Congressional District in the United States.

THE SOCIALIST SCIENCE COURSE, consisting of History, Economics, Politics, Oratory, Socialism, and allied subjects.

THE PREPARATORY COURSE, consisting of Grammar, Rhetoric, Literature, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Penmanship, Orthography, Physiology, Psychology, Letter-Writing, Political Geography, Physical Geography.

THE BUSINESS COURSE, consisting of Book-keeping, Commercial Arithmetic, Rapid Calculation, Business Correspondence, Penmanship, Business Spelling, Grammar, Commercial Law, Commercial Geography, Business Practice, Banking, Corporation Book-keeping, Business Organization, Office Practice and System.

THE SHORTHAND COURSE, consisting of Shorthand, Typewriting, Grammar, Spelling, Punctuation, Office Practice and System.

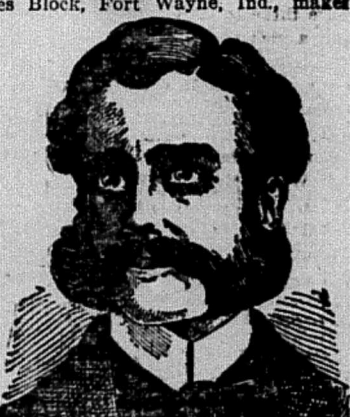
THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT, consisting of Twenty, One-Hour Lessons, \$20.00; Twenty, Half-Hour Lessons, \$10.00.

THE BOOKS AND STATIONERY DEPARTMENT, consisting of For Business Course, \$10.00; For Shorthand Course, \$6.00; For other courses, it will vary according to the studies taken.

Sick Made Well, Weak Made Strong. MARVELOUS ELIXIR OF LIFE DISCOVERED BY DR. JAMES W. KIDD.

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CAPITALISTIC ROBBERY. The following dispatch from Washington, printed in the Topeka Herald, republican, of July 22, shows you how the political machine which the capitalists have made, is greased. All these leeches are in favor of capitalism, imperialism, tariff and all other forms of robbery, because they get the grease. These places are maintained against the public welfare because they are so much spoiled to the point where they are no longer support the corporation domination of the nation.

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Organization and Circulation Department.

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Drugs and Lawyers.

It is a well known fact that certain drugs are destructive of character. The opium user soon loses all sense of truthfulness, and becomes a perfect prince of liars. The same is true of cocaine, and other powerful narcotics. Alcoholism and moral depravity are twin companions. These are material agents and seem to work their ruin on the subject through the delicate nervous system. It can probably be demonstrated that all drugs have a similar effect, thought of course less marked. But there is one branch of the public service operating wholly on the mind that works its ruin on its subject, in a more subtle way, but it is no less effectual in its deadly work. I speak of the practice of law. How many of our readers understand our legal system, and the development and practice of the judiciary? The time is fast approaching when Socialists will be called upon to make and administer laws. We will have to tackle our judiciary system, and deal with our legal machinery. Who is going to do this work? Will we leave this to the lawyers who will enter our ranks? The class conscious Socialist is jealously guarding the integrity of the movement, and he has a nervous eye on the entrance to our ranks of the merchant, and the farmer. But in his guardianship he has wholly overlooked the most dangerous product of the capitalist system,—the lawyer. Who was it that intermingled the warp of monarchy with the woof of democracy, in our federal constitution? The lawyer. Who has been the conservative factor in all American attempts at curbing the capitalist class? The lawyer. Whose hand thrust the knife into the vitals of the People's Party? The lawyer. Who is the opportunist within the Socialist ranks? The lawyer. Why is it that? Because the legal mind is moulded by legal procedure, and wholly devoid of scientific classification. Whence came our law? It is of two kinds, statutory and common. Statutory law is the product of legislation, and as our legislation for a hundred and twenty years has been controlled by the capitalist class, the statutory law has been made for the protection and promotion of the interests of the capitalist class. The common law which makes up the bulk of our practice, is the product of court decisions, which become unwritten rules for subsequent courts to follow. If courts adhered to precedent their decisions might be governed by practices two hundred years old and thus modern capitalism might often be embarrassed, but as there is no hard and fast rule requiring such procedure, judges may follow precedent or not as they choose. The capitalist class therefore is always sure of a favorable decision of the court, providing the court is chosen by the capitalist class, which is now the case everywhere. And it is precisely the court that rules the land. Legislature may pass laws, but the court decides whether or not such laws shall stand. The people of Oregon BY AN OVERWHELMING POPULAR VOTE DECLARED FOR DIRECT LEGISLATION, BUT THE STATE COURTS DECIDED THAT SUCH A LAW COULD NOT GO ON THE STATUTE BOOKS. The people of the United States through the congress passed an income tax law, but the supreme court of the nation decided THAT THE RICH MUST NOT BE TAXED. The president of the United States is powerless before the majority of the supreme justices, and congress is but a body of children who may play at law making, but who cannot go beyond the parental will of the nine czars who wear long gowns to dignify their rule. The lawyer actually trains himself to respect this travesty of democracy. Why not? He fondly looks forward to the time when he himself may wield this autocratic sceptre. He learns to bow his head to precedent, and to legal tyranny. He buries his head in the musty lore of legal practice. He lives in the past rather than the present. He searches the hoary volumes of ancient decision for justification of his client, and he twists and turns facts to fit the obsolete tomfoolery of forgotten generations. He sells himself for a fee. He prostitutes himself to his client with all the abjection of a courtesan, and his moral and intellectual integrity becomes that of the street. No man can do this without suffering moral and intellectual decay. He is seldom if ever revolutionary. True to his training he must follow his musty precedent. The lawyer has never led a great movement. Watch him in a convention, how he twists and turns his parliamentary procedure, how he lays traps for the innocent and unskilled delegate. See the cunning phrases that he inserts in his resolutions, phrases that seem innocent, but are saturated with his poisoned art. His mission is to lead, and it is difficult for him to accept a state of society where his chosen mission would be forever obliterated. He is precisely the opportunist who is looking for some means whereby he may enter congress or the legislature there to exploit his parliamentary powers. As Jesus said, "How hardly shall a rich man inherit the Kingdom of Heaven," so we say "How hardly shall a lawyer become a revolutionary Socialist in politics." The members of the working class, arousing as they are from sea to sea, must themselves become the guardians not only of their party, but of the coming state. Our legal machinery cannot be mended, it must be thrown on the junk pile along with the capitalist system. IN THE COMING SOCIALIST STATE THE PEOPLE WILL MAKE THE LAWS, AND ONCE MADE THEY WILL STAND UNTIL THE MAJORITY REPEALS THEM AND MAKES OTHERS IN THEIR STEAD. We believe in majority rule, and so long as the capitalist class is in control we shall peacefully submit to their laws, unjust, and tyrannous though they may be, but the very moment that we have a majority we shall take possession of the government, and we shall pay no attention to the supreme courts whatever. If it is right for the majority to rule, then it is wrong for a minority composed of a few judges to defeat the will of the majority. Capitalism could not stand if the majority did not rule today. As the capitalist class is in the minority, so it must have some way of controlling the people, and that control is exercised through the courts. Our lawmaking system is wholly in violence of the Declaration of Independence, and to the provisions of the latter document the Socialists will rigidly adhere. 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The Socialist Woman

What She Is Doing

Conducted by MISS JOSEPHINE CONGER.

WOMAN IN SOCIALIST PROPAGANDA

That woman may be a strong factor in politics, even though she does not vote, has been lately demonstrated in Germany. The world movement known as Socialism is particularly open to the exercise of the talents of women, since in its tenets it endorses the freedom of all persons irrespective of sex, color or former condition of servitude. In the history of the world, such opportunity for her mental, moral and spiritual development has never been offered to woman as is offered her today through the Socialist party. Judging from the sadness in the records of her life under thousands of years of bondage, we would expect her at once to embrace a cause that is offering her so much. And we hear upon every side the question "WHY ARE NOT MORE WOMEN ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN THIS MOVEMENT?" We have given this matter serious study for several months, and are forced to conclude that since no race ever freed itself from such severe bondage, that we must expect the greater part of "the work of woman's emancipation to be done for her by PHOENIX HAZEN IN THE POSSESSION THE MEANS TO DO IT. Since man owns the politics of the country, he also governs the consciences of the people, and sets the mould for PUBLIC OPINION. The pulpit is ruled by its priests, society by its Ward McAllisters, universities by Rockefeller, and newspapers by Hearsts. Everywhere, man has the leverage, and woman follows the nich his mind carves. She did this at first because the superior power of man forced her to do it. She does it today because his mental power directs it. Only at rare intervals have women questioned the fallibility of an education that forced her to make herself subservient or secondary to them. We know the fate of the women. They have met with the scorn of PUBLIC OPINION. Their lot has been so unpleasant that the more timid and those who wished always to please, dropped all notions of "emancipation" as fast as they came to them. And the fact that Socialism offers civic freedom to the female part of the race is not enough in itself to make her—as a whole—espouse its cause. She first wishes to see public sentiment in her favor. In other words, she wants the assurance that she is doing the proper thing in actively expressing her desire for a condition which her sex has never known. And this sentiment on her part is a trait that is more laudable than otherwise, since it indicates an inherent desire to meet with the respect, either in marriage or divorce, or in any other legal relation. All federal offices to be open on equal terms to and with equal wages to men and women. All food products imported from foreign countries shall be carefully inspected, the import of dangerous products prohibited, and opium and similar narcotics to be imported for medical purposes only. Courts of arbitration for settling industrial disputes. The army and navy to be organized only for defense, and the militia to be preferred to the regular troops.

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"Stray Thoughts" booklet of poems by Josephine Conger. Price 20c. Send to this department the Appeal

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The women readers of the Appeal should be sure to get the \$1.10 Wing Piano to be given the woman or girl who sends in the most subscriptions between Sept. 1 and Nov. 1.

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On the Skirmish Line.

Notice. Remittances of every kind should be made payable and directly addressed to the Appeal to Reason.

The Appeal to Reason's "Press Combination" of books, announced last week, is a sure winner and the boys are all after it.

Allegheny, Pa. local orders a thousand of the big edition, and are trying to make arrangements for another thousand.

Enclosed please find list of subscribers for the Appeal. When I get my bundle of the Jubilee edition I expect to double my lists of scamps.

Comrade Muoro of Attleboro, Mass. writes to the effect that they have organized a local at that place with 16 members.

Comrade Poor of Welch, La. says: "Back the exploiters to the best advantage. Every comrade should come over with as much as he can spare in order that the Appeal may be able to meet its payments."

Clark's Thread Works, located at Kearney, N. J. have discharged every Socialist and Socialist sympathizer in their employ.

Veterans of Burlington County, N. J.—We copies of this number (July) of the Appeal to Reason have been mailed to residents of Burlington county, N. J.

Dear Comrade—"I wish to thank you for the Appeal to Reason. I had never read a Socialist paper before I saw this one."

An old soldier by the name of C. E. Hayes of Excelsior, Mo. shows his devotion to the cause of humanity. He says: "All that I now have to live for is to see the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth."

and then I am willing to return to Mother Earth, from whence I came. I am now getting a pension of \$3 per month, and it takes it all for me to live, but I will get a raise in a short time, and I hereby pledge my sacred word and honor that as soon as my increase is received, whether it be big or little, I will forward all over \$8 per month to the Appeal to Reason and thus help the cause that I love."

On duty 24 hours during which time an engineer on the B. & O. railroad has not more than 10 hours sleep, all told. That was taken while standing on side tracks, or at any opportunity which offered itself.

Comrade Carpenter of Angola, Ind., who is a farmer, says: "When I take my grain to market the board of trade sets the price, which I must take; when I take my eggs and cattle to market, Armour, and Swift sets the price; when I buy my flour the Milling Association sets the price, and when I get my groceries and dry goods, some of the same gang sets that price, and so all along down the line. I have nothing to say for a fellow who has to buy himself a pair of jeans pants and my wife a calico dress; go home and put my nose to the grindstone for another year and then go back and have the same thing dished out to me again."

And still the Jubilee orders pour in. Keep a coming comrades, even if you have to strain a point to order an extra bundle. We must make this Jubilee number a grand success. You circulate the paper, and we will run the big press night and day till we get out the orders.

Admiration, Ind. Ter., local orders another 1000, and are debating the advisability of ordering more big bundles.

C. B. Robbins, of Columbus, O., orders a thousand of the big edition. He says: "It is bound to help the cause of Socialism more than we have any idea."

Reports from Comrades Mrs. Kraybill and Snyder are very encouraging, and they are organizing at many points. If you wish to have a meeting in your locality, address George W. Merrill, Enterprise, Kan., who will gladly send you a speaker and organizer, providing you will advertise the meeting, and in other ways show an inclination to push the movement.

Dear Sir: I have been getting your paper with my mail and I never ordered it, therefore I will forbid you to continue sending it. Such a paper I would sooner take poison than have with me.

to take that paper. I would not let my dog see it for fear he would leave home; he would not be caught looking at such a thing as that paper. Such a paper is a disgrace to anything, either man or beast. I would not disgrace my stove to burn such a paper in, so I will warn you not to send another paper, and if it is not stopped you will hear from me again.

No doubt the dog would leave home if he ever got a taste of intelligence; he would want to get out of such ignorant environment as he has undoubtedly been raised in. I would stop the paper because we do not wish to be the direct cause of your entrance into a—well, sometimes the rooms are padded at that place and a goodly if you should chance to effect a vividly "think" the strain would prove too much for your stunted "think box" and it would lead you there, or perhaps it would lead you to the spirit world. Up or down? Up, Reason? Registered on the "Big Book," not accountable for actions on earth.

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HARVESTING HAY—AN OBJECT LESSON. I have nothing more interesting to write about this week than hay-making.

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NEWS FROM DIXIE. While Comrade Ricker is riding a mower in the fields of Iowa, regaining the mental vigor and physical energy exhausted in his work on the Appeal during the past nine months, the Southern situation moves steadily forward.

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