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No man is great enough or rich enough to get this paper on credit or for a longer time than paid for. It is published as an advocate of International Socialism, the movement which favors the ownership of the earth by ALL the people—not by a PART of the people.

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HOW IT WILL BE DONE.

A reader wants to know how the people who build the cities mentioned last week will get pay for their work, as the houses will not be sold, and the labor of many who will not live in any city will be directly and indirectly consumed in their construction.

Very simple. It is done today in every industry. How do the employers of labor today pay the men who are building the machines and buildings that are not for sale, but are used in production? Simply by selling the products for enough to pay all the workers in the industry. Now, that is just what will be done when society erects cities and workshops and parks and other things the people desire.

It will be the duty of congress to make the necessary calculations, for congress will be composed of representatives of the various industries, and not a lot of useless politicians, as is the case today.

Taking up each industry as it is operated, congress will know the number of persons employed in each industry—the number of days' labor needed to produce a given quantity of goods or product or pleasure.

Let us assume that it will require 10 per cent of all the national labor—productive labor at any given time—to operate the schools for the training of future citizens; then 10 per cent will be added to each consumable article, 3 per cent for transportation, 3 per cent for amusement, 10 per cent for buildings, and so on for each occupation that does not produce for immediate consumption.

Thus the article, instead of selling for 100 minutes, will sell for, maybe, 200 minutes, so that those who directly make it will not be able to take off the market all they have produced and leave nothing for those who have been producing permanent wealth which they are using.

This increase in price will not be taking from the producers any part of what they have produced, but only be giving them its labor value in other forms. This principle is followed today in the tariff and internal revenue system, only what is taken is not given back in any other useful form, as it should be.

The percentages I have stated may not be in anywise what they should be, but what they really are could easily be computed by the statisticians, who would have the data at hand.

THE DIFFERENCE.

According to dispatches, Klondyke miners have been robbed of more than \$200,000 by collusion in the United States assay office at Seattle. When direct charges of fraud and theft were presented to the secretary of the treasury against his minion in the assay office, one Adams, they were ignored, but now the fraud is out. The honorable secretary was too busy helping out Wall Street to pay any attention to the thefts of his employees.

Here is a sample of public service that is corrupt. Then why contend for more public service? Public service today is surrounded by private graft, which corrupts it, and it must be removed from private graft to show its real workings. If there were no possibility of private hoardings, invested in land or other productive property for private gain, one could not steal more than a few dollars before all those who worked with him would know it. If one worked he could have all the good things of life anyway, and if he stole and quit work he would simply advertise himself as a thief, which not even the most hardened desire. Government today is largely a graft, and hence, those employed in it are inoculated with the virus of getting something for nothing. Men's actions are governed by their environment. The environment today is for graft—hence we have it in all its glory.

FALSE scales by Boston grocers are said to have robbed the poor of fabulous sums. Under Socialism the storekeepers will be hired, the public will own the stores, and no clerk could get any benefit by short-weighting the public. But that would be awful, and destroy the family and all ambition! And the people get skinned and continue to train with the men who do them.

The attorney for the Milwaukee railroad has been appointed general of the Minnesota militia. Preparing to give the gang who vote the old tickets a good dose of lead. Of course the corporations are not in the saddle riding the people! And the work people vote to have the masters in charge of the militia they pay taxes to support!

INDUSTRIAL oppression in Russia has exploded, just as it will in America in the next few years. That's all.

The negro is becoming civilized—one tried to break into a Topeka bank. They will soon be as good as the whites.

NEW YORK had 576 and Chicago 453 suicides last year, which is evidence of the prosperity of the country. Life is such a lovable thing under capitalism.

ALTOGETHER we have contributed \$16,000,000 to the Chicago university, which Rockefeller took from us and handed over. He gets the credit—the people pay the bills.

BEGIN the year 1906 with an order for a bundle of five for a year coming to your own address. In 1905 we reached a record-breaking point in this line, and would like to beat it during 1906.

If the Standard Oil does up Lawson it may be the best thing for him and the country that ever happened. With nothing but his brain as capital, he would doubtless become a power, as he slings a nifty pen, and its power would be greatly increased in whatever direction directed if he had no financial interests diverting his mentality.

THE packers plead that they should not be prosecuted because they were forced to give evidence that incriminated themselves! Think of a condition that discharges criminals because they furnish the proof of their crimes! And this is law! But then it operates only when the rich is concerned. What a wonderful thing the law is!

THE so-called secret ballot evidences one of two things—that the law recognizes that men are corrupt and will buy votes or that men are likely to be coerced and forced to vote against their convictions. In either case it recognizes the fact that the voters are debauched by those who have money. In other words, the rich are public enemies.

IN his divorce proceedings it came out that Prof. Gunton received \$15,000 a year from the Standard Oil company to aid him in his attacks on Socialism! You will find all opponents of Socialism are in some way connected secretly or openly with the trusts. When you read Gunton's magazine, or any article from him, you will now know that is what he is paid to write by the Standard Oil company. Good bye, Gunton!

IT came out in an investigation that the bridge builders of Ohio formed a combination to fleece the public. They met and agreed on which one should build each bridge and the others bid over that. One bridge at Lorain, which experts said would have been high-priced at \$86,000, was awarded at \$146,000. The people pay the bills, hug the delusion of private ownership of industries, and get skinned to a frazzle. Give it to them, Mr. Bridge Builders, they love you best when you skin them most.

SEVEN great land owners own the whole of London; it was given them by the feudal kings of long ago for services to the then rulers; it has today six million people and 800,000 of them are actually starving, while the dukes, who own the lands, are rolling in tremendous wealth from the ground rents. But if there were ten thousand times as many land owners it would be just the same to those who had no right to the land. Starvation, caused by rent paid to small land owners, is just as atrocious as if paid to only a half dozen. Private ownership of the earth is just as oppressive in America as in England—the principle is just the same.

HENRY WILFF, ex-state treasurer of Illinois and the leader of the republicans of Chicago, has been sent to prison for two years for fraud. It seems like the voters ought some time to take the hint. For years they have been blindly following the old party leaders, and frauds such as never have been known have been issuing forth like a Niagara. All these criminals are bitterly opposed to Socialism. Why? Don't you feel that there must be a reason why the masses should want Socialism when these people are opposed to it? Investigate what Socialism really is and you will see why they are opposed to it, and why it is to your interest to have it. It is useless to mourn over conditions and then keep on voting for them.

RAILROAD JUGGLING.

The railroads are distributing millions of leaflets in which they pretend to show how the money they take from the public for transportation is spent. This is the way they put it:

Labor	47.50	per cent
Interest	14.50	per cent
Depreciation	8.12	per cent
Dividends	5.74	per cent
Surplus	2.00	per cent
Material power	2.00	per cent
Material freight	2.51	per cent
Passenger cars	2.25	per cent
Defectives	1.75	per cent
Permanent improvements	2.21	per cent
Train supplies	1.47	per cent
Hire of equipment	1.06	per cent
Ties	1.92	per cent
Buildings	1.79	per cent
Personal injuries	1.14	per cent
Damage	1.72	per cent
Stationery	1.00	per cent
Coal	1.50	per cent
Tools	1.46	per cent
Legal expenses	1.26	per cent
Advertising	1.27	per cent
Rent of buildings	1.27	per cent
Miscellaneous	1.46	per cent

This looks like labor received the bulk of the tribute laid on the public, but it is the character of the labor that tells. In this 40.8 per cent is included the presidents of over 600 lines of road, each drawing from \$10,000 to \$100,000 a year, then the vice presidents, directors and a host of lawyers, advertising men, traveling freight and passenger agents and solicitors, car-chasers, immigration agents, industrial agents, city ticket agents with their armies of help, duplication of depots and their men—all of which would be entirely unnecessary under the collective ownership method of operating the roads. Not one of these items appear in the operation of the postal system and would not appear if all the roads were operated by the public. If these were deducted you would find the real labor, the necessary labor, would not figure at even 30 per cent of the revenue.

Interest and dividends would also be eliminated under Socialism, for the roads have been paid for by the people several times and any debt contracted would long ago have been paid off.

The item of fuel represents the price the roads are charged for fuel, but the officials of the roads furnish the fuel, which costs them perhaps 75 cents a ton, and the roads pay \$2.25 for it. This would be cut into one-third of the amount by eliminating the private graft when the public operated the coal mines to supply its own roads.

All the other material furnished the roads is also supplied by other corporations which charge the roads big prices and take the rakeoff for the controllers of the roads, thus enabling them to swindle the stockholders of the roads.

Then I see nothing appears for bribery of city councils, state legislatures, congress and judges. It is well known that the roads have an army of lobbyists in all these bodies, and they get big "wages," besides an unlimited bank account to hire the venal and control the corrupt.

The graft of the railroads is seen when you think that we are manufacturing millionaires by the thousand, nearly every one of whom is the product of the stealings from the people in transportation or industries that depend on railroad favoritism for their accumulations. If roads were as poorly paid as claimed how come these hundreds of millions in the hands of men who manipulate the roads? Americans are paying several times the actual cost of transportation, as evidenced by government reports, and the public gets the most indifferent service. There could never have been the Standard Oil monopoly had the roads been public property, where every shipper would have been equal before the service.

With public ownership of roads we could have travel at not more than one-half cent a mile, passenger and freight in same proportion. If this were not true you would see railroad owners anxious to sell to the public.

To control the public highways is to control the industries and thus control the people. Even if it cost more for public ownership it would be better, for it would do away with the corrupt influence of the briber which the railroads use in every public office.

The American roads charge \$8,000 a mile for the use of their roads, while New Zealand, carrying the same number of passengers and the same proportion of freight, charges \$3,500 per mile, and \$1,200 of this goes into the public treasury. In this country none of it goes into the public treasury, except a measly tax, and that is bribed so that only one-tenth the just sum is ever paid.

The press of the country is silent about railroad extortion because it receives passes, and congressmen and legislators and judges have the bribes in their pockets. The average paper gets free transportation to keep its mouth closed.

Down with the trusts—the industries for the people.

A SHORTAGE of \$28,000 in the Kansas treasury shows how the good republicans manage your affairs. But you like it, for you continue to vote for it. Just a little graft for the officials.

NATURE made the coal free; then mine it for 60 cents a ton; railroad men haul it for ten cents a ton. You pay four dollars for 70 cents' worth of your fellow workers' labor! And this is a free country, and don't you forget it!

THE New York legislature voted down a resolution demanding Dewey's resignation from the United States senate. Grafters must protect their members. The senate is a shameless lot, and the legislatures are likewise, or words to that effect.

THE Standard Oil bought 3,996 shares of the Waters-Pierce oil company, and to conceal its ownership held the shares in the name of Mr. Van Buren. This stock paid 50 per cent a month profit! That is what you pay for the blessed privilege of having private ownership of your industries. That is what your vote for the old parties does for you.

THE Boston Daily Traveler gives an account of the escape of M. Branick, a bricklayer, from slavery at Florida Key. With promises of big wages he was induced to go there from New York, with 300 others, and they were put to work at \$1.35 a day and charged for sustenance enough to take all their pay, and if they complained they were arrested and fined and forced to work out an unknown sentence under armed task masters. He finally got a letter to his wife, who brought the matter to the attention of his union and they proceeded to get him liberated. He says there are men there who have been in half-ferdoin for fourteen years! These are white men and this is America! Yes, we abolished slavery! And union men vote the capitalist tickets so this thing can go on. O, that they would see that their votes have a power in them, if intelligently used, to overthrow all these crimes against themselves. But so long as they follow such leaders as want to keep them out of politics, who want them not to use their strongest power, the ballot, they must be subject to these crimes against humanity.

SUGAR and coffee and tea were admitted free once upon a time; then the spenders of the public money put a tax on them to "carry on the war," and now the tax is maintained to protect the Americans against the pauper labor of the half-civilized countries! The Americans are an easy lot. They are skinned out of more wealth than any nation that ever existed and seem to like it, though the papers are filled with accounts of the horrors of the poverty which they are suffering. The rulers here know that the Americans have never learned the lesson of government. If they had, there would be no millionaires in this country. We could have ten times the wealth we have and still have not a single rich man in the nation—and that is the way it ought to be—and will be when the people elect Socialists to control. We will make short work of the skinners.

IS there anything in print that gives the facts in regard to the labor troubles in Colorado during 1903 and 1904? Please answer through Appeal.—W. E. Jamestown, N. Y.

H. E. Bartholomew, a writer of considerable reputation, who lived in Denver during the troublous times, made a careful study of all the events as well as their causes, when the corporations of that state, backed by the state government and Citizens' Alliance, defied the law in their efforts to destroy the unions and co-operative stores of the miners. The result of his investigations, and much other valuable historical matter pertaining to the horrible atrocities perpetrated by the capitalists of Colorado, are recorded in his book, "Anarchy in Colorado," which the APPEAL can supply prepaid for 25 cents.

THE United States senate is composed of sixty-seven lawyers, seven lawyer-bankers, nine speculators, two alleged farmers and four mavericks. The eighty million decent people haven't a single representative in that body.

PILFERING CONGRESSMEN.

WHAT a sight for the gods! Gompers, Mitchell and Belmont belonging to the same club! No wonder the workers get bested in every effort to get decent treatment.

SECRETARY SHAW says the whole investing public is menaced by the financial conditions. And yet people haven't understanding enough to take their money out of bank before the collapse comes.

AUGUST BELMONT, the American agent of the Rothschilds, who employs scabs on the New York street railways, belonging to the same Civic Federation with Gompers and Mitchell! Will the work people forever permit the wool to be pulled over their eyes?

W. H. KEEN, of Great Bend, Kansas is establishing a "Church of Humanity." From the announcement in his paper he believes in goodness without God, justice without Jesus and idealism without idolatry. If he gets any truth he will be crucified. Funny old world, this.

WE read with pity and contempt of the ignorant savages of Africa who go to their medicine men to appease the wrath of the gods and have it rain during a drought. I notice that a bishop in California has called a day of prayer to have God make it rain. We have advanced but little from the savage state.

THE Toledo Times wants a cure for poverty. The cure is well known and proven, but the men who hold the purse and ear of the people don't want it cured. For it means that each worker shall have the full fruits of his labor and in that case how could a man grow rich? Riches in private hands infer that other men have less than their products. Socialism will do away with poverty and crime—but on poverty and crime is built up the great fortunes. No poverty, no great private wealth.

GOV. VANDAMAN, of Mississippi, forced a convict to shine his shoes, and when the convict made a remark about it, the governor kicked and beat him. The governor had no right to compel a convict to shine his shoes, and in doing it was taking from the state the service that belonged to the state, and was therefore at least a moral, if not a legal, criminal. How the servants of the people do lord it over those who select them for servants. The convict was likely a more honorable man than the governor. Isn't it about time that "common people" were put into positions instead of lawyers and other parasites?

THE banks want to deposit a lot of more or less worthless notes with the government and get bank notes for them. This would be fiat money with a vengeance. A banker could give his note for a million to his bank and the bank could then deposit it with the United States treasury and draw a million in money on it! A few years ago the bankers and their hired politicians nearly went into conceptions because the farmers wanted the government to loan them money on elevator receipts for wheat and corn—two articles as staple as gold. The farmers were crazy. But the bankers are not! Not on your life. The bankers have the government and are using it to gut the whole country. They shamed the farmers out of asking for their rights. The bankers are shameless and go on their way pillaging with heads erect, as if they were the only patriotic and honorable class. Funny how things work.

A MERGER of the breweries in New York has been effected. Owning all the supply, and doing away with the duplication of saloons, of which they own nearly all, the combine will save millions a year now wasted by competitive exertion. Wise men co-operate—fools compete. When the masses get wise they will stop competing and own all the productive wealth of the nation in common and quit wasting their best energies in undoing what their fellows are trying to do. The brewery combine will close more saloons than all the temperance agitation since the foundation of this government. Let the public step in now and take over all the breweries and distilleries and complete the good work, eliminate nine-tenths of what saloons are left and make saloons unattractive, prevent treating and lounging and soon the evil effects of the traffic will disappear, for no one will have an interest in perpetuating it. Get wise.

"CONFISCATION."

The great captains of industry stop at no act, no violation of law, no violation of confidence, to take from the public what little the public still possesses—to confiscate the wealth of others. But my! how they howl if confiscation of their stolen wealth is even hinted at! What they have is stolen goods, and it should be taken by the people for the people—whom it was taken.

Restitution—without the Rockefeller's? We have iron without the Rockefeller's? Can't we have sugar if we were no Have-meyers? The Rockefeller's? Confiscating the property of the people. The only way to prevent it is for the industries to be owned by all the people. In no other way can it be prevented. Wouldn't you feel better if you could look at any or all the great industries and buildings and say, "These are ours"—"these belong to us"—and our children shall own them after us? Why remain stupid and be mere beggars in the land of your birth? Wake up.

CRIMINALS IN OFFICE.

The Kansas grain dealers have just re-elected one Smiley as secretary. Smiley was convicted and served a sentence in the sheriff's residence at LaCrosse, Kansas, for organizing a pool among the four mills at Bison, and thus skinning the farmers on their wheat. Smiley had his typewriter and did business right along in jail, the only difference being that the public furnished him free board. He carried the key to his cell! See the difference between the skinner and his victims? Poor men, whose necessities compel them to break the law—they are punished; but men who break the law just because they want to make more money (when they already have plenty)—they are never punished. But the farmers are easy marks.

MARSHALL FIELD died worth more than a hundred millions. This fortune was the result of his getting and holding Chicago real estate and the increasing population enabled him to charge fabulous rents to the people for the privilege of living. The people, by their presence, made these values, and he took them, legally. All this value was made by the people, in justice belongs to them and would be theirs but for their ignorance in not understanding the land question. Of the equities of land they know nothing, and are robbed of tens of millions a year. These millions annually would have built homes for all the people in Chicago and they would have them today free of rent. The many would not be renters and the few would not be rolling in wealth. Landlordism is just as harmful in America as in Europe. Ask your politicians about it, and see what they know of the land question. You will find how ignorant they are on a subject so vital to the human race.

RURAL carriers bring to the government an average of 43 cents each per day and receive \$2 per day. The men who control the Washington government refuse to allow a parcels post like all civilized countries have, and hence the spectacle of the government hiring men at \$3 a day and refusing to let them serve their patrons. The farmers want the parcel service, but the little merchants do not, for fear the farmers will be able to buy of mail order houses and save a few dollars a year! And thus does private interest destroy public service. The farmers of the nation would save hundreds of millions by a parcels post and the postal system would show a profit instead of a loss—but the dealers are class-conscious and work for their own pockets, while the farmers stand like poor boys at a frolic and say little or nothing. When you want a thing you must go after it. You can have anything you want bad enough to work for. But a parcels post is coming, and when it gets here the people will wonder why they were such fools as not to have had it years before.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-ONE MILLIONS of dollars were paid out in dividends in New York City on January 1st, according to the papers. Add to this the amounts paid out in all the other cities, and you will get some slight idea of what the workers are giving up every three months to sustain the American plutocracy. But they like it; they vote for it; they hate any one who don't like it; they believe they are the most prosperous jaspers that ever breathed. Hurrah for the trusts.

Railway Employes and the Class Struggle

By EUGENE V. DEBS

IN his address to the joint committee of the several brotherhoods of railway employes that called at the White House on November 14, 1905, to plead in behalf of the railway corporations, President Roosevelt, among other things, said: "I would be false to your interest if I failed to do justice to the capitalist as much as to the wage-worker."

The president was much impressed by the delegation and the delegation by him. The president was really addressing his own brethren, for, like themselves, he was a brotherhood man, and had the grip, sign and passwords, all up to date; and they were all agreed that no injustice must be done the poor capitalist. The latter were not in evidence. Their president and their brotherhoods would see that no harm came to them.

In his message to the banquet of the Order of Railway Conductors, given at Chicago on December 31, 1905, in behalf of the railroad corporations, and presided over by Major (?) B. B. Ray, paymaster U. S. A., in recognition of his faithful services in lining up railway employes in support of the corporation ticket on election day—and as smooth a politician as ever came down the avenue—in his communication to this corporation auxiliary, regretting his inability to mingle with the railway presidents and managers who were in attendance to point around at the working class in general, and the railway slaves in particular, were opposed to rate legislation—in his telegram of regret Vice President Fairbanks, once himself a railroad attorney and now a magnate, said:

"The Order of Railway Conductors" recognizes in full degree the right of both employer and employe and understands full well that in a large sense the interests of one are the interests of the other, and that the interests of neither can be disregarded without harm to both."

Precisely! "Our interests are one," exclaimed the fox after devouring the goose. "Same here," answered the hawk, with the feathers of the dove still clinging to his beak. "I'm with you, chapped in the shark; and I congratulate you upon your wise political economy." Was the amen of the lion as the lamb's tail disappeared down the red lane.

Toastmaster Ray, the mortgaged major of the railroads, read another telegram of regret from "Jim" Hill, of the Great Northern, and then President Delano, of the Wabash, was introduced and proceeded to orate on "Opposition to Railroad Rate Legislation." The dumplings are reported to have nodded in hearty approval every time he looked at them. President Delano might have stayed at home and used a string to operate his puppets.

Upon this important point of "identity of interests" between lion and mutton, President Roosevelt, Vice President Fairbanks and all the railroad presidents, corporations and brotherhoods are a unit.

The railroads furnish the lion and the mutton. It is upon this false basis, this vicious assumption, this fundamental lie, that the railroad brotherhoods are organized, and in that capacity they are of incalculable value to the railroads; the very bulwarks of their defense, and the sure means of keeping the great body of railway employes in economic ignorance, and, therefore, unorganized, divided and helpless.

It means organized strength for the railroads and organized weakness for the employes. And the latter foot the bill. No wonder their grand officers get annual passes and their delegates free trains. The stupid employes pay for them all an hundredfold.

And to what base purpose the railroad magnates use these brotherhoods to still further intrude their power and perpetuate the reign of robbery? At this very moment they are using them as political pokers to stir up the fire of public sentiment against rate legislation. And the poor dupes that pay the dues don't even know that their unions are in politics, corporation politics, the dirtiest kind of politics.

On their own account the unions are forbidden to have anything to do with politics—that would fracture their delicate diaphragm—but when the corporations need them as political tools—ah, that's different; that's what they are for!

Can you see how hoodwinked railway slaves begin to see something? In all the history of organized labor, from the earliest times to the present day, no body of union workmen ever served in a more humiliating and degrading role than that in which the railway unions appear at this very hour before the American people and the world.

It is a spectacle for the gods, and future generations will marvel that such an exhibition of servility was possible in the twentieth century. Union workmen rallying round the robbers of the working class and defending them against their own people! It is true that there is nothing in rate legislation for the workingman, but the incident loses none of its significance that account.

The free use of the brotherhoods by and for the corporations at election time, when the legislature meets, when congress is in session, whenever and wherever required—that is the point. How smoothly this emergency appliance works! The corporations sniff danger; they send for their officials—the officials for the "grand chiefs" of the brotherhoods—the "grand chiefs" for their docile ducks, and presto! a joint committee—and it is a "joint" committee—serves notice on the president and the country that the million and more railway employes want no interference with the divine right of the railroad robbers to hold up the people.

which most of you are strangers, the better will it be for you. What is the labor question? It is the question of the working class organizing to overthrow the capitalist class, emancipating itself from wage-slavery and making itself the ruling class of the world. Can this be done? Anything can be done by the working class. Labor has but to awaken to its power. Then the earth and all its fullness will be for labor. Now the exploiters of labor have it; and they must be put out of that business and into useful service.

First of all, you railroad workers, you million and almost a half of slaves, must wake up; realize that you are a part of the working class and that the whole working class must unite, close up the ranks and present a solid front, every day in the year, election day, especially, included. As individual wage-slaves you are helpless and your condition hopeless. As a class, you are the greatest power between the earth and the stars. As a class, your chains turn to spiderwebs and in your presence capitalists shrivel up and blow away.

The individual wage-slave must recognize the power of class unity and do all he can to bring it about. That is what is called class-consciousness, in the light of which may be seen the class struggle in startling vividness. The class-conscious worker recognizes the necessity of organization, economic and political, and using every weapon at his command—the strike, the boycott, the ballot and every other—to achieve his emancipation.

He, therefore, joins the union of his class and the party of his class and gives his time and energy to the work of educating and lining up his class for the struggle of his class. You railroad men may think you are doing this now, but you are not. You are wasting most of your time and money for that which will bring no returns.

Let me tell you a few of the things the railroad corporations and your leaders, between whom there is an "identity of interests," are having you do to occupy your time and keep you chained to the kennels of your masters. First, they have you divided into petty groups, each trying to be it, and not one having any real power for working class good.

Second, they have you quarreling about jurisdiction and about an "open door," and the corporations smile serenely while you play with these toys. Your jurisdiction squabbles never will be settled, but grow worse. At places the B. L. E. and B. L. F. are at sword's point, and the O. R. C. and B. R. T. are ready to fly at each other's throats; and so intense is the petty craft jealousy that they are ready to stab on one another.

And if they ever go out on strike, particularly the B. L. E., their own former members, victimized by them, will rise up to smite them. The other day I met a man who had an official position that paid him \$5,000.00 a year. Said he to me: "I will quit this job for but one thing, and that will be to take an engine when the B. L. E. go out on strike." He used to belong to it.

There are any number of men scattered over the country, most of them their own former members, waiting for the B. L. E. to strike. The day is not distant when the B. L. E. will reap the crop it has sown. Third, you are kept apart from other workers, for it would be dangerous if you affiliated with them and got an idea above the round-house or caboose or cab your own. Besides, you might get class-conscious and that would endanger your slavery.

Fourth, you spend hours in the lodge room, "riding the goat," getting the secret work "down fine," giving "passwords" and "signs," and unpacking jobs of "secret work" that any railroad official in the country can have any day he wants it. These are bibe and rattles for mental babies, and the more time you amuse yourselves with them the less danger there is of your thinking about anything that will break your chains and set you free.

These are a few of the things; I have not space for more. The hundreds of columns of state stuff released for years in your journals that might be execrable in the official organs of some feeble-minded institution, but it is woefully out of place in a working class publication. Now let me say a few more things—and space will allow only a few of the many that might be put down—that you may think about at your leisure.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is forty-two years old and has never won a railway strike of any consequence in all its career. It is called a success because the corporations make some concessions to it so as to use it as a battering ram against other employes in the service; and this is substantially true of all the brotherhoods.

The union switchmen on the Denver and Rio Grande, at Pittsburg and other places; the engineers on the C. B. and Q.; the telegraph operators on the A. and P. M., K. and T., Great Northern and Northern Pacific; and the machinists on the Santa Fe are but a few of the long list of victims of the "dog-eat-dog" method of unionism, a quarter of a century behind the times.

But the grand officers of the several unions attend one another's conventions and join in solemn chorus in telling the delegates of each other's unions what wise grand officers they have, how kind the corporations are to them, and how proud they ought to be of their noble brotherhoods.

In the next few years locomotive engineers will disappear. It is safe to say that in another twenty years locomotive firemen will be practically of the past. They can then cling to their last straw—their insurance policy—and that is the main thing that holds them together today. But for that they would soon cave in, and that is true of them all. They are then, primarily, coffin clubs and not labor unions. They care for the sick and bury the dead—a good thing, incidentally, for the corporations. To get the full benefits it is necessary to be maimed or killed.

It is well to bury the dead, but the living are infinitely more important. One effective blow to break the chains of wage slavery is better than a century of attention to dead bodies. Class-consciousness is better than corpse-consciousness. A great deal more that should be said must be omitted for the want of time and space.

It is my hope that the facts here presented will lead the railroad workers to study the real labor question. A few of them only know what Socialism is and they are Socialists. The rest are opposed to it because the little they know about it is not true. No honest workman understands Socialism without embracing it. The railroad workers, if they want their eyes opened, must read class struggle literature.

The paper in which they are reading these articles, the Appeal to Reason, with a circulation of almost three hundred thousand copies, can be obtained for a trifle—fifty cents for a whole year—and if they can't afford that, they can send ten cents for a trial subscription. They cannot afford to remain in ignorance of the class struggle, or of what Socialism really means.

A mighty social revolution is impending—it is shaking the earth from center to circumference and only the dead may be deaf to its rumblings. Revolutionary education and organization is the vital need of the working class. Let every railroad employe who is alive enough to want to know how the working class can emancipate the working class and walk the earth free, and enjoy all its manifold blessings, subscribe for a revolutionary paper and read it for a year; and he will then find himself with the rest of us, in class-conscious array in the struggle for freedom.

The Appeal to Reason, already suggested, will make an excellent beginning. There is a long list of other papers and magazines that can be read with profit. Drop a postal card to W. E. Trautman, National Secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World, 148 West Madison street, Chicago, and ask him to send you printed matter explaining this great and growing industrial union; ask him also to send you a copy of the "Industrial Worker," its official paper, which every workman should have.

Drop another card to J. Mahlon Barnes, National Secretary Socialist Party, 269 Dearborn street, Chicago, asking him to send you printed matter in regard to this working class party, and also to send you a list of Socialist papers and magazines, and a catalog of working class books and pamphlets. Great is the privilege we enjoy in being permitted to take part in this mighty historic struggle.

The base and cowardly will sneer and sneak to the rear, but the brave and true, though hell itself will do battle with all the blood that flows in their veins, and write their names in living letters on the shining scroll of Labor's Emancipation.

A bundle of five Appeals each week to one address for a year, \$1.00. PERTINENT AND IMPERTINENT. Don't be afraid of sentiment. It is the mainspring of action. The loud Socialist is not necessarily the soundest. He may be only noisy. Let your Socialism be seasoned with sense. It's a better condiment than dogmatism.

If you are "satisfied with things as they are" you are either wanting in sense or sensibility. No noble work was ever done through fear of hunger. Potboilers bring little credit to their makers. Do something now and you'll better know how when the Co-operative Commonwealth needs your services. Don't be a sheep. The instinct to follow is not the highest attribute of man. Even the bell-wether is a sheep. "In a multitude of counselors there is wisdom." Solomon was planning a fall for the party boss when he said that.

The savior of today is not one god-man, but a social man-god, in whom and by whom the world shall be redeemed. Traitors are bred in an atmosphere of suspicion. A noble faith in man begets a noble faithfulness in the same man. Don't sneer at the intellectuals. They are no more to blame for possessing an intellect than you are for being without one. That more than eighty-one working-class families out of each hundred live in rented homes! That only ten or eleven working-class families out of each hundred live in their own unimmaculate homes? If you have any doubt as to the correctness of these statements or wish to verify them by comparison with official records, you should read "Suppressed Information," compiled by F. D. Warren from such official sources as the Twelfth Census Reports, the Eighteenth Annual Labor Report, etc. Price, postpaid, 10 cents; three for 25 cents.

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Socialists Gain in France. Paris—Complete returns of the senatorial elections show that they resulted as follows: Republicans of the left 27, radicals 26, Nationalists 14, Socialists 2, nationalists 6, reactionaries 16, progressivists 11. The result is noteworthy for the fact that this is the first time that Socialists have been elected to the French Senate.—Wall Street Journal, Jan. 9.

The book that had the largest sale of any book in the past year in "Merrie England," by Robert Blackford, editor of the London Clarion. When you read this matchless exposition of Socialism in language that anybody can understand you will know why others have read it. Supplied by the Appeal at 10 cents per copy, prepaid, three for 25 cents.

WHY NOT MARCH TO PARADISE? You could have this world a paradise to live in, if you working people would but learn to think, to reason. Everything you can wish for is here. Nature is profuse in her opportunities, but you put artificial conditions between you and mother earth, and you suffer and die miserably by millions—and yet you do not learn to think how it all comes about. There is material enough to build you all beautiful homes and furnish them with heart's ease, and there are enough of you to build and fashion and you have not. There is enough fertile soil to raise you every good and wholesome food, and there are enough of you to do it—and you have not. There are cotton fields, and cattle and sheep ranges enough to supply you with the finest raiment, and enough of you to do—and you have not. There is enough of you with genius to teach, to play, to sing—and you enjoy not. Men, your own ignorance, your own stupidity, your own prejudice are all that stand between you and these and happiness and love. And you refuse to give up the monsters that make beasts of you. You will listen to the oracles of politics and tradition who have led you for centuries into the morass and jungle of social injustice—and you refuse to question their motives or their knowledge. You are led, century after century, like sheep to the cannibalistic capitalistic shambles. You are all powerful, but until you know what must be done, nothing can be done for you. These things cannot be given to you—you must know them and take them. You look with pity on the ignorance and childishness of the poor in other lands, but you do not see that you are just as they. You are victims of custom. You never question. If, as men, you were as inquiring as are children, as willing to learn, you would soon be out of your misery and into the light of a fair world. And you suppress the child's inquisitiveness, dam up its soul seeking for light and it becomes just as you are. No man ever sought the light but that he received it. The torch of reason flames over the world, but you are afraid of it—as a thing of evil, while all the time you are suffering evil. It is your beliefs that make you the poor and miserable thing you are.

KILL THE POOR. Miss L. Graham Crozier startled Philadelphia the other day by advocating that the children of the slums should be chloroformed, and thus rid society of them and their misery. Miss Graham begins at the wrong end. What is needed is the chloroforming of the rich parasites who make the slums and their misery. The slums are an effect, not a cause. To kill off their inmates would only precipitate another bunch into them; thus the murder would have to be repeated. But if those who gather what they have not sowed were done away with, that would end the matter, for they are the ones who force people into slum life and crime. The rich are the ones who make the slums. The rich, as a rule, are criminals, as we see plainly by the recent exposures of graft. Every grafter is a man well heeled for cash. What kind of a civilization are you voting for when public speakers advocate killing the poor? You voters are the real criminals, for behind every millionaire stands your vote for the old parties, who are fostering conditions that produce the millionaire and pauper. You ought to be proud of your country—your country—of which you have no more ownership than a rabbit. Most of you are homeless—practically paupers in the land your fathers fought for. Shame on you.

SATAN REBUKING SIN. At a recent meeting of the Maryland bankers association, J. E. Simmons, president of the Fourth National bank, New York City, made some pretty severe strictures on dishonesty in high places, and bewailed the present condition as a universal carnival of crime, asserting that when the people tolerated the terms "graft and grafting" it was tolerance of the thief and his trade. He called on the members to condemn "men who pose as the salt of the earth and who condemn, without reserve, those who steal \$50 or forge a check for \$100 or accept a bribe, and themselves make millions by lying, by misrepresentation, by fraud and bribery." The real purpose of the banking system is robbery—getting something for nothing—and the banks have been the go-between between the briber and the bribed in nearly every instance of that crime. The assembled bankers must

have patted him on the back, as they chucked how such words from one of them would mislead the public into believing that they were an assemblage of saints. THE Rev. Geo. C. Richmond, curate of St. John's Episcopal church, Stamford, Conn., dropped the remark in his sermon the other Sunday "that the man who accepted a salary of \$25,000 was a thief." His very aristocratic congregation dropped George the next day.

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New El Dorado Now Open to the Public.

The long expected, much talked of, opening of the White River Country, between Carthage, Mo., and Newport, Ark., is now an accomplished fact. The White River, the largest tributary of the New White River Line, having been inaugurated on January 21st.

In connection with the White River Line along the Mississippi River to the Gulf, this marks the completion of a new route between the North and the South, and of the most important importance.

The commercial invasion by the railway of mountain fastnesses in the White River valley, in Missouri and Arkansas, and of the lowland river district of Southwestern Arkansas, has now opened a new era in the history of the present day.

With the accomplished fact of a through line, the social conditions of the most diverse character are brought to the surface.

The products of the mine, coal, zinc, lead, manganese, iron and building stone—these are the products of the White River valley. The products of the soil are cotton, corn, wheat, sorghum, and the products of the uplands (peaches, apples, pears, berries, etc.) are also produced. The products of the sea are also available. All these products are now offered to the enterprise which will give a shorter or a longer shade in this country.

Special to "Appeal" Readers. Send us your name and address, and 50 cents (stamp, money order or coin), and we will send you a copy of the White River Country, and a copy of the Appeal to Reason, and a copy of the International Socialist Review for one year, on condition that you send us \$1.00.

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ECHOES ALONG THE WAY.

There are 3,241 landlords in the United States, each of whom owns over twenty tenant farms...

The north central division of states, embracing Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota and Kansas...

D. M. Parry, at New Orleans, two or three years ago, at a meeting of the National Manufacturers' association...

Swift & Company, the big Chicago packers, are quietly purchasing and acquiring rights to hundreds of thousands of acres of grazing land in Northern Colorado...

It came as quite a surprise to the American School Book trust when the custom house officers at San Francisco notified it that they were holding a large consignment of American school books...

The United States owns and operates a railroad across the Isthmus of Panama. Freight has been congested along its line...

The New York street car merger has been completed. The capital stock of the new trust will be \$123,000,000—based on 60 miles of street car lines...

The Kansas City Star is printing a series of articles showing the progress which its sister cities are making in an effort to stimulate Kansas Cityans to hump themselves...

republican or democratic politician. St. Paul has 28,673 homes, twenty percent—5,556—of which are owned free, with ten per cent—2,851—mortgaged...

The wholesale dealers of the United States met in New York the other day. They have a lot of grievances against the manufacturers, which they aired and resolutely decided to combat...

Before the Child Labor committee at New York, Felix Adler, chairman, said that one million children have been forced into child slavery. Dr. McKelvey, of Charlotte, N. C., said that "It is a rude awakening that is coming to our people..."

SLAVERY, JUST THE SAME.

Comrade Childer, of St. Louis, Mo., moved out among the gang last week and touched them up for a club of fourteen yearlies.

GETTING RID OF PUBLICITY.

A wire from Fred H. Merrick, editor of the Social Rebel, Parkersburg, W. Va., says that he has been indicted on seven counts for criminal libel by the grand jury.

EXTENSIVE BUSINESS OPERATIONS

The first means of extending a modern business is to buy a desk on the floor of the United States senate. A friend at court is a friend indeed, and especially so when placed there by the business that wishes to use him.

ARMY NOTES.

Three yearlies from Byerly, Franklin, Neb. Bunch of two from Comrade Cole, of Sula, Mont. Bunch of four from Comrade Hein, of Chandler, Ind.

Comrade Perry, of Freeport, Ill. lands a bunch of four of them. Wersel, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Can't get rid of him. Five more. Crumbaker, of Zaneville, Ohio, still dogs our trail. Five yearlies.

Comrade Miller, of Guthrie Center, Iowa, gets to bat with a bunch of five yearlies. Comrade Brelsford, of Elizabeth, N. J., biffs us one in the short ribs—eight yearlies.

Comrade Venner, of Rhineland, Wis., gets to the front with an order for five of those yearly postals. Pyle, of Sedalia, Mo., don't let them get past him. Club of six and an order for a bundle of five for a year.

Comrade Hollen, of Landa, N. D., got the right angle on the enemy the other day and dragged eight more into camp. Comrade McCulloch, of Checotah, I. T., puts the kibosh to the old party doctrine so far as four people are concerned.

Comrade Dale, of Camas, Wash., opened hostilities the other day and hands us a casualty list of eleven. Comrade Rights, of Winston-Salem, N. C., advises us of the surrender of five insurgents. We like to have people right that way.

Comrade Fox, of Lorain, Ohio, orders a set of four of those postal subscription cards, which he intends to use in his business around Lorain. The close of hostilities demonstrated the fact that Comrade Riccielli, of Sandusky, Ohio, had twenty-eight prisoners of war. The carnage is terrific in Ohio.

Comrade Dalk gave Present Treatment to four of his esteemed fellow citizens the other day, with the result that we added them to our already magnificent collection of investigators of social questions.

Comrade De Young, of Bemis, S. D., sandbagged four of them the other day. You have no idea how thankful the victims of the Appeal highwayman feel toward him in about three or four months after he has held them up.

Comrade Haury, Jr., of Custer City, Okla., touches us up with a club of four. If these clubs were the usual kind of sticks, the Oklahoma ispers would have us in the hospital all the time.

THINGS 'LL BE DI FERENT UNDER SOCIALISM.

The newest machine in making jars, in operation at Muncie, Ind., reduces the labor force one-half, meaning the discharge of nearly one thousand operatives for the production of the same quantity.

Talk about graft, in this grafting age, but the graft of the alleged charity organizations is the worst. It develops that it is a regular and profitable business to solicit "for sweet charity's sake."

WHAT THE APPEAL IS DOING.

This is one of hundreds of similar letters received every week: "A merchant here who refused to read the Trust Edition gave it to me. I gave it to the telegraph operator; a few days later a comrade saw him give it to a trainman, with the remark, 'It made me a Socialist.'"

CAPITALIST ASSASSINS.

A number of letters like the following have been sent to Socialists in various places, showing that there is a general movement, with means behind it. Of course, it doesn't amount to anything, except to frighten a few wage slaves who have no backbone.

I notice that fifty feet of ground, without a building, was leased in Chicago the other day for \$60,000 a year for 99 years.

The Chicago Record-Herald's Milwaukee dispatch says that a citizens' ticket, supported by both republican and democratic voters, is the only way to defeat the Socialists from carrying the city.

A HUNDRED-DOLLAR share of stock in a failed bank of Chicago stood at \$375! Which shows what a balloon stocks are—a pin prick will burst them. It shows also what fools have money to invest in stuff they know nothing of.

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Every time I see a greasy-clothed, coal-begrimed son of a working ass I feel like grasping his good right hand—and kicking him off the face of the universe.

Naturally, the reader is wondering what is the reason of this ebullition. I will tell you: Over in London live two American women. One of them parades under the name of the Lady Willoughby de Eresby.

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