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DEBS' DATES

Sept. 9th, Franklin, N. H., Opera House, 8 p. m.
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NO DECISION

While it has been one hundred twenty-four days since the hearing of the Warren case at St. Paul, and still no decision has been reached, there will probably be something doing soon. Warren is in the fight and enjoying it. He is bringing so many of the people to a decision relative to the abuses of the federal judiciary that it will be a wonder if the judge does not call him in and put him where he will do the master's good. This is only guess of course, but it is at least plausible.

The Warren Meetings.

The Warren meetings are developing unexpected power and influence. Reports coming to the Appeal indicate that he is making good. The attendance on his meetings is uniformly large, there having developed a new thing in Socialist agitation, that is, the running of excursions from near-by cities to hear him. On another page there are a few estimates of his work by people who heard him. The press has generally devoted considerable space to his speeches, indicating that he is making good. Fred himself writes that he is enjoying the new experience, and as his voice clears and he becomes more sure of himself, his enthusiasm increases. Warren has been tried in a new line and has proven adequate there. During the past week he has spoken at Dayton, New Philadelphia, Akron and Cleveland, O. The attendance in each case was good, and the meetings were all financially successful.

Warren's Dates.

- September 5, Pottsville, Pa., Schuler's park, 2 p. m.
- September 6, Reading, Pa., Auditorium, 8 p. m.
- September 7, Philadelphia, Pa., Labor Lyceum 8 p. m.
- September 10, Wilmington, Del., Turn hall, 8th and French street, 5 p. m.
- September 11, Elizabeth, N. J., Proctor theater, 2 p. m.
- September 12, Newark, N. J., New Auditorium, Orange street, 8 p. m.
- September 18th, Newburyport, Mass.
- September 22th, Bridgeport, Conn.
- September 24th, Norwich, Conn.
- September 26th, Pittsfield, Mass.
- September 28th, E. Pittsburg, Pa., Turner hall, 8 p. m.
- September 29th, Monongahela City, Pa., Skating Rink, 12th and Main, 8 p. m.
- September 30th, McKeesport, Pa., White opera house, 8 p. m.
- October 1st, Jamestown, N. Y.
- October 24, Erie, Pa., Alpha theater, 812 State street, 3 p. m.
- October 4th, Lorain, O., Glen's hall, 8 p. m.
- October 5th, Toledo, O., Memorial hall, 8 p. m.
- October 9th, Wheeling, W. Va., Victoria theater, 2 p. m.

Of course we have no classes!

Do not the papers tell you so? And of course the king's papers would not deceive the people who want liberty from the king. Even when the merchants advertise "classy clothes" you are too stupid to see what it means. How could there be classy clothes if there were no classes? The kind of classy clothes that most of you wear is blue overalls. That is your class. If you had wit enough to know there were classes and the one that you belonged to, you would certainly vote in classes and you work in classes. If you had a system of industry that gave you the full products of your labor and gave the capitalists the product of their labor, which would wear the good clothes and live in the good houses? Can't you see that you are defrauded of what you produce? Get wise to the game worked on you.

A GIVE-AWAY PARTY.

You can best understand the history of the last fifty years by knowing the fact that the republican party has always been a give-away party. It was founded, not as an abolition party, but as a free soil party. The idea which gave it prestige in the west was the giving away of homesteads. This relieved the labor stress in the east by affording a means by which the workers could secure their homes. Followed with high protective tariff, another give-away policy which enabled higher wages to be paid in some instances, it was inevitable that the party should develop rapidly and come into power. The giving away of vast grants of lands to railroads was only a part of the policy of the party.

Within the last fifty years the republican party has given away more land than was embraced in the entire thirteen original states. In other words, it has never won a national election without giving away a state in order to do it. This is a startling statement, but a fact, which accounts for its success.

Naturally the public domain will some time give away. It is almost exhausted at present. While a few sections are being opened for homesteading they are of poor quality, and usually at this time there is some fake behind it which vitiates the benefits to the homesteader.

It is true that the Philippines, Hawaii, Alaska and Porto Rico still offer a territory for the giving-away policy of the republican party and the scandals that have developed in connection with the land steals in these sections indicate that the policy is still being pursued. That the bulk of the land given away has been to the trusts argues only that the trusts were insistent and promised returns for the gift. Even this vast territory has been pretty well exhausted within the past twelve years, and Diaz, pursuing the same policy and sanctioned by the republican party has added to the power of the policy.

It becomes apparent, however, that the policy of giving away land cannot be maintained much longer. Because it cannot, the end of republicanism is in sight. The insurgency movement is merely evidence of the breaking-up of a party that has come to the end of its resources. It is a peculiar fact that no party has ever been able to emphasize more than one particular idea, and now that the republican idea of giving away land is at an end the party built upon that idea must necessarily fail.

APPEAL'S LECTURE BUREAU.

So successful have been the Debs lectures under the Appeal's plan, and so promising has proven the Warren tour under the same scheme, that the work is to be extended, commensurate with the demand.

The Appeal meetings are different from others. They not only provide a choice lecture, that is paid for by admission tickets sold, but each admission calls for a forty weeks' subscription to the Appeal, affording a follow-up that makes effective the work begun by the speaker. That they are successful, both as means of propaganda and from a financial viewpoint, is a matter of demonstration. In no case has a meeting failed financially, while often the local handling it has been enabled to fill its treasury.

Eugene V. Debs will continue in the field under the same terms as those that have prevailed. It is unnecessary to say anything of Debs' ability to gain and hold an audience, because the fact is now generally admitted, even among non-Socialists. He stands first.

Fred D. Warren, editor of the Appeal, began his speaking tour only a few days ago, but has already astonished even his friends by the interest he has awakened. His ability as an editor and writer has for years been recognized by Socialists. He is now manifesting the same genius on the platform that has attracted such wide attention in the press. While not an orator in the conventional meaning of the word, he is "different," and drives his points home till they stick. There is a force in his message that impresses, not for a moment, but for years. He will be available for speeches for months, unless he is called to go to jail in the interest of free press and free speech.

The Appeal has been fortunate in securing as a speaker Alexander Irvine, one of the most unique personalities in public life today. He struggled from direct poverty, until he became pastor of the great Church of the Assension in New York City. Here he held thousands enraptured by his fiery eloquence, until his radical utterances and open espousal of Socialism caused the rich members of the church to force his resignation. Immediately he was in demand for chautauqua work; but he gives this up in order to earn less than half as much speaking for Socialism under the Appeal management. While his manner differs from Debs, he has the same fire of eloquence that flashes from the tongue of "our Gene," and never fails to arouse the most intense enthusiasm. He is a coming man in the movement, and will prove an attraction anywhere.

George D. Brewer, who has been connected with the Appeal in various capacities for eight years, and who for more than a year was in the field with Debs, will appear in lectures of his own. Brewer is the first lecturer the Appeal put out, and it was because he made good that the entire lecture idea was evolved. His appeal is intense and reaches the hearers through both logic and persuasion. Brewer's future is ahead of him.

Ben F. Wilson is a magnetic speaker, who as candidate for congress in the district in which the Appeal is located, two years ago, polled the second largest Socialist vote for congress in the United States. Since that time he spent more than a year in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, speaking there and adding both to his reputation and experience. He is intense in his manner, and his message carries conviction, while he wins personal friends everywhere. He is especially fitted for work in the south, and will be a valuable asset, speaking under auspices of Farmers' Unions, following up the work outlined in Shofar's great articles on "The Revolutionary Farmer."

With all this talent available, any local can afford an Appeal lecture. You may obtain one by agreeing to sell from 100 to 1,000 admission cards at 25 cents each, according to the speaker wanted, the card being good, not only for admission, but also for 40 weeks' subscription to the Appeal. There has never been such a plan of propaganda and follow-up devised. It is an opportunity to clinch things that should not be missed.

Write the Appeal's Lecture Bureau, Girard, Kan., saying what you want and about when you want it, and get on the current.

Dis you ever see a "totem pole"? Quers things, eh? Only the lowest order of things have them. You capture them and have them exhibited in the museums! But you don't see that we have totem poles. What is every statue and sculpture but the totem pole of their given civilization? Although they are perhaps more truly carved to facts, the principle remains the same. Some savage carves a piece of wood and sets it up in his village, and it means something about their time and condition. Do any of the great or small monuments we build represent anything more? I never look at a piece of public statuary but I see the perfected totem pole of the savage in it. Eh?

An associated press dispatch says that "the Mexican consul in Los Angeles will attempt to hinder the issuance of Regeneration (organ of the refugees recently released from the Arizona federal prison), by requesting the postal authorities to forbid its going through the mails as second-class matter." Whenever any people want to suppress information you may set it down that there is dirt they want to hide.

Dr. J. H. KELLOGG, of Battle Creek, Mich., is authority for the statement that there were 10,000 murders committed in the United States last year, which is twice the proportion of killings in heathen India. There were 17,000 suicides in the United States last year, an increase of fifty per cent in seven years. The profit system is surely getting in its work.

THE WAGES SYSTEM IS A DEVICE FOR PERPETUATING INEQUALITY BY ROBBING ONE MAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF ANOTHER.

THEY now threaten to take the Maine out to sea and sink it where it will be so securely hid no one will want to raise it to find out if big business blew it up and killed 366 American seamen in order to force a war of conquest. Anything to avoid investigation? They know the guilt of big business and dare not raise the Maine.

AND now, scared by insurgency, the plutocrats are talking a non-partisan commission for the purpose of revising the tariff. Republicans and democrats have been playing with this swindle for a century and still think to fool the people over it. Knock the damned fraud out and give us direct taxation instead. That will fix the grafters and take the foundation from under both old parties.

RAILROADS are promising great things for Washington and California, pretending to build competing lines. The San Francisco Call, a supporter of the railroads, says editorially: "We do not mean that rate cutting will follow, because that form of competition is no longer practiced by railroads." Without rate cutting, the people will be under complete tribute to the railroads, and agreement not to cut rates is supposed to be contrary to law. But what do railroads care for law? and how will you free the markets without owning the railroads collectively?

WHAT if the democrats do win? Will that overthrow the system? Will that end unemployment, or the slum or landlordism? Bless your life, democrats make no pretensions of wanting to free you from your economic masters. They are not, with all their tariff talk, in favor of free trade—as the Socialists are. They are not in favor of real democracy, extended to industry—as the Socialists are. They are not in favor of money controlled exclusively by the government—as the Socialists are. They do not demand working class rule—as the Socialists do. Look at their record in congress and the legislatures—can you tell a democrat from a republican there? Why will you be fooled again?

BEFORE you have elected your congressman, the railroads are openly preparing laws for the next congress to enact, intimidating their workmen into signing petitions to congress praying for authorization for railroads to raise their rates in violation of law as now constituted. The railroads know their men, and do not care whether they are democrats, regular republicans or insurgents. They can intimidate their employees into asking something they don't want, and congress will do the will of its masters.

You live under the profit system. The mass of you never make any profit. You are silly enough to think your wages or your crops are profit. They are not. You produce things for your income, while others who get profit, produce nothing. Their profit is a part of what you produce and do not get. They manipulate you for their fortunes. You have never learned to distinguish between earning a thing and getting things you did not earn. It is so easy to skin such silly children as you are. Why don't you use your brains?

THEY have a brand new railroad swindle up at Garden City, Kan. Since the steals involved in bond issues made by counties for building of railroads in days gone by, it has been made illegal for counties to make grants to prospective roads. Finney county got around this and swindled itself by voting \$2,000 a mile, taking as security against this, stock in the road. Now, the county court asks the people to vote the proposed railroad a return of this stock. Why doesn't the county vote to build the road itself and save the tribute of profit it will have to pay for ever and ever?

THEY are still at it in Mexico. The press says that former United States Ambassador to Mexico David E. Thompson, and his associates, have acquired from the Mexican government, the Vera Cruz and Isthmus railroad. Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Insurance society, who will be remembered as having participated in the insurance scandal of a few years since, has a finger in the pie. The press merely adds, "The Mexican government allows the road a subsidy of about \$10,000 gold a mile." Isn't that a peculiar way of buying a road from a government—to receive \$10,000 a mile for it? No wonder the plutocrats of America are jealous in maintaining the rule of Diaz the Demon.

A DEMOCRATIC orator at Auburn, N. Y., recently read the story of the graft of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company's absorption by the steel trust, and republican papers reply to the charge in a characteristic manner. It is not true because it was printed by the Appeal to Reason! They said the same thing of the Alton steal authorized by Roosevelt until the crime was fastened on the late president and even he admitted his part in it. It will take more than denials to clear the republican party and Theodore Roosevelt of the guilt of authorizing, contrary to law, the holding up of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company, under threat of a panic, and robbing it of \$900,000,000 worth of property without a penny in return and without staying the panic. The Wall Street Journal tries to stop investigation of the crime by saying it is none of the people's business. It is the people's business. They have a right to know. Write your local paper asking what caused the panic of 1907 and to explain the merging of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company with the steel trust.

DEBS AT WORK

All the Appeal readers will be glad to know that Comrade Debs is in the field again. Accompanied by George D. Brewer, he opened up at Ft. Wayne, Ind., September 1st, going on to St. Mary's, O., September 2d, and thence to Meadville, Pa., the 3d. Reports of these meetings will be given next week. His remaining dates are as follows:

- September 5, Meriden, Conn., Meridian town hall, 8 p. m.
- September 6, Manchester, N. H., Park theater, 8 p. m.
- September 7, Concord, N. H., Phoenix hall, 8 p. m.
- September 8, Barre, Vt., Howard hall, 8 p. m.
- September 9, Franklin, N. H., opera house, 8 p. m.
- September 10, Laconia, N. H., Armory, 8 p. m.
- September 12, Salem, Mass., North street skating rink, 8 p. m.
- September 13, Lynn, Mass., Odd Fellows hall, 8 p. m.
- September 14, Gloucester, Mass., City hall, 8 p. m.
- September 17, Piqua, Ohio, May's opera house, 8 p. m.
- September 18, Chicago.

JUST WHAT?

When the industries are collectively owned and operated each worker will have an equal voice in saying who will be the foremen, managers and superintendents, and what the products shall sell for and who shall have the proceeds of their labor. That is what the Socialists stand for, and have stood for all the years since their movement started. Under such an arrangement would you vote to give two-thirds of the products to a set of men who did nothing to produce them? And do you think that your comrades working with you would vote to do that? You do that now when you vote the old party tickets, but you are so dense that you do not know it. You are told that Socialism means the dividing up of property—but you are doing that now, and the capitalists get the larger share. You are told that Socialism means free lust—but you are getting that now when there are five hundred thousand of your sisters in the brothels of the country, catering to the passions of the useless and idle members of society—you are supporting the free-lust system now. You are told that Socialism means the destruction of religion—but the rich now own and dictate to many pulpits and have driven real Christianity out of them. You are voting now for the destruction of Christianity. You are told that Socialism means the taking from the industrious and giving to the idle—yet that is just what you are doing. It is the idle and vicious that are masters of the things you produce, and they have wealth in superabundance. You are told that Socialism would destroy the incentive to do things—just as if you got all you produced you would not have as much incentive to work as if you gave two-thirds to a boss! You are such easy things to deceive. Why in thunder don't you use your brains as well as your muscles? What are they for?

DOING FINE.

Yes, we are doing very well, thank you. Twenty years ago there were no Socialist literature, no speakers, no press and no voters in this country. Beginning with nothing, we have advanced until we have cast half a million votes, we have some hundred or more publications, the libraries of the land are filled with thousands of Socialist books, and the leaflets of the movement are like the leaves of the forest in number. All done in twenty years, and growing in geometric ratio. If we did this with zero to begin with, what can we now do with this vast leverage? Yes, we are getting on, and whether you know it or not, we are making more rapid headway today than any movement that ever caught the attention of the human race. You may put your head in the dark, like an ostrich, and sneer, but in doing so, you do not hurt us, for we are converting your neighbors all about you. We need only a majority to transform this anarchistic, every-man-against-his-neighbor system, into an orderly, loveable, just world, full of happy people. You sneer and we will work, and see which comes out on top.

THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS.

An Appeal reader wrote the editor of the Wall Street Journal asking the cause of the panic of 1907, and received the following in reply:

One of the causes of the panic was the fact that a gross number of people were mislending other people's business. There are altogether too many people volunteering "advice" on matters they do not understand. Suppose you and I resolve to attend strictly to our own business.

So that is the insolence of the crowd that has robbed the west until they possess more certificates of wealth than the twenty-two states west of the Mississippi. It is none of the people's business how they got the money, eh? Suppose we make it our business to find out how they got it. Write the Wall Street Journal and ask it questions. Say it is the business of the people to know the game that has been worked on them. Tell the editor it is not his business to assist in the steal and insult the people that produced every penny he ever had in his life. Wall street has got to account to the rest of the country. It is the people's business to know some things.

The best proof that both William and George are d. f. s. unit to be set over anyone, is William's claim that he is emperor by divine right and George's assertion that he ought to be an emperor instead of a mere king. They are both jackasses.

THE trouble is that so often the worm merely turns—over, when he is trampled on.

SOME of the people who imagine they are progressive are riding snails, and others crawlfish.

THE man content with less than he produces might as well prepare himself to be content with still less.

PARTIES under capitalism exist for the purpose of seeing that the workers do not get a chance to vote for any one who is opposed to the game that skins them.

THE Chicago Daily Socialist hit the nail squarely on the head when it said: "The workers of Russia want to be free, but cannot. The workers of America might be free, but they do not want to be."

JOIN the party and help in the commissary department. Write your state secretary, or J. Mahlon Barnes, national secretary, Chicago, on how to do the harness.

Now that the automobile has come the rich are insisting on good roads, and there is a general demand that they be built by convicts. Good roads are a fine thing, but it is wrong to steal from criminals in order to get them.

INSURGENCY is only a bit of it. You don't hear much from capitalist papers about the cause of insurgency, but people are showing an eagerness to hear the Socialist message as never before, even during the campaign of 1908. Farmers now constitute the bulk of the audiences of the Socialist agitators, and they come even in automobiles to hear. They run special trains now to afford the people a chance to pay admission to hear Socialist speeches. There is every reason for Socialist enthusiasm in America.

THE press reports that William Jennings Bryan recently spoke at Omaha to 391 persons, who were admitted free. When Debs was at Omaha he spoke to 1,700 who paid to hear him. Strange, isn't it?

A New York dispatch says: "Rosa Nemeth, an immigrant peasant girl, jumped through a glass window at Ellis Island, when the doctors made the usual physical examination." She thought they were white slavers. What business had the doctors to make such a forcible "physical examination" of a young girl like that? She was justified in her fear.

"This is how Roosevelt loves labor," said he in a recent speech, "that business at Columbus would stop. I am just as much against the lawless laboring man as I am against the lawless capitalist." This becomes more intelligible when it is understood that he deems a laborer lawless when he objects to being exploited by the capitalist.

LABOR DAY, as appointed by capitalist officials, is a ring in the nose of labor, by which it is led in triumphal procession by capitalist politicians. When all workers make election day labor day, and stand together the world around for their rights and against their wrongs, they will come into their own, and there will not be only labor days with plenty, but rest days with joy.

WHILE Kansas republicans are seeking to mask as a half-baked Socialist, in the republican state of Pennsylvania seven coal companies threaten to prosecute seventy-five mine workers who are on a strike on a charge of sedition. The old English law still applies in this benighted state, and under that law unions may be declared conspiracies in restraint of trade, and strikers, rebels. The mere statement of this medievalism is its own best comment. How you like 'em?

IN spite of the labor victories in Europe, in spite of the strength of Socialism in many of those countries, America gives promise of being the first country in the world to adopt the full Socialist program. Things are moving at break-neck speed here. Americans do things quickly when they do act. No where is capitalism so strong and arrogant as here, and no where is Socialism so virile and revolutionary as in our own country. European Socialists will not be jealous if we win first, but American Socialism is moving like a prairie fire in a whirlwind.

NOTHING could better indicate the interest in the Socialist movement than the fact that the Bessemer and Lake Erie railroad advertised in big red letters: "Eugene V. Debs will speak at Conneaut Lake September 2d." The road was expecting people to go from a distance to hear him or it would not have advertised so. When Warren spoke at Linton, Ind., a coach was run from Terre Haute filled with people going to hear him, and at Hammond three other coaches came from Cincinnati with Warren auditors. No, they are not interested in Socialism this year—not at all.

AGENTS of the government claim to have positive evidence that the forest fires now raging in the west were started by working men, desperate for want of jobs. More than 150 men are dead and as many more are missing, while thousands are homeless as a result of the devastation wrought by the flames. Last week the Appeal showed the motive of the plutocrats for starting the fire to be the prospect of increasing profits by raising the price of lumber. The motive of the workers in committing the deed could be only that of getting a job. Where the strongest motive is, there is the greatest probability of guilt. Use your judgment.

REVOLUTIONARY FARMERS

"The embittered farmers stood And fired the shot heard 'round the world."
 —Ralph Waldo Emerson.

By GEO. H. SHOAF, Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason

I. KENTUCKY'S FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Whether the worker sells his labor power, as in the city, or the products of his labor, as in the country, the results are the same. The workers in the city and country, under capitalism are exploited by those who own the machinery of production and distribution. City workers in part have sought to combat this exploitation with organization. In recent years the farmers have even attempted to organize. Nowhere has the fight between the farmers' organization and capitalism been more pronounced than in the Kentucky tobacco war. Here the climax of the class struggle has been reached. The story of this struggle is one of the most interesting and significant chapters in the history of capitalism. It has been written in ten articles, of which the following is the first.

In Kentucky.
 The moonlight falls the softest
 In Kentucky;
 The sunsets days the most
 In Kentucky;
 Friendship is the strongest,
 Love's light glows the longest,
 Yet would a day's wrong
 In Kentucky;
 The dove notes are the saddest
 In Kentucky;
 The streams dance on the gladdest
 In Kentucky;
 Hip pockets are the thickest,
 Pistol hands the slickest,
 The cylinder turns quickest
 In Kentucky.

OLD BALLAD

INCE 1905, and especially during the years 1907 and 1908, Kentucky has staged as tragic a drama as has been enacted in the history of modern events. At times it has been grim tragedy, where blood flowed; at other and lighter moments its acts have provoked nothing more serious than raucous laughter. From the mountains of eastern Kentucky to the western verge and from the Ohio river to the Tennessee line the state has been torn with dissension and strife where warnings, threats, incendiary and murder have been conspicuous features. Nothing comparable to it since the civil war has occurred in this country, unless the Ku Klux Klan of reconstruction days, Molly Maguire's of Pennsylvania, and the war between the Western Federation of Miners and the Mine Owners' association of the west, are cited as near examples.

Up to this period, notwithstanding her reputation for being "dark and bloody," Kentucky's history, since the days of Morgan the Raider, has been as tranquil as that of any section of the United States. Now, as always, her people love fair play, demand justice, and respect lawfully constituted authority. While school houses are not quite so numerous, perhaps, churches do the landscape of every county, and every Sunday witnesses the gathering of the population, to do homage to Him who bade His followers render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's. No braver men, no purer women, no people more chivalrous and hospitable live anywhere than those who cluster about and make precious the recollections of the Old Kentucky Home.

In the Name of God and Liberty.
 And yet these same people, with God in their hearts and prayers on their lips, have masked their faces, mounted their horses, and, at midnight, swooped down upon towns and villages, burning tobacco barns and warehouses, intimidating by threats and murder those who sought to stay their hands. At other times they have gone to the homes of apparently inoffensive neighbors, whom they called to the outside, whereupon and whipped with switches or beaten with the incident would mean death. Life-time friendships have been destroyed, neighbors' hands have clutched each others' throats, family ties have been torn asunder, members of the same churches have glared jabbed at each other across the Lord's table while partaking of holy communion, and everywhere suspicion and bitterness and open war have replaced peace and good will toward men.

Yes, the Night Riders have been abroad in Kentucky!

Officials of the American Society of Equity, the Burley Tobacco society, the Dark Tobacco Planters' Protective association, and other tobacco growers' organizations, while not denying the existence of the Night Riders, have minimized the extent of the depredations alleged to have been committed by them and have vigorously denounced the Night Riders themselves as irresponsible bands of mounted thugs, r agents employed by the tobacco trust to commit violence for the purpose of this association. None of these association officials will admit that any of their members participated in night riding, which they so earnestly and eloquently denounce.

Night Riders Were Necessary.
 And yet:
 It is freely conceded on every hand that had it not been for the Night Riders the aims and objects of the Tobacco Growers' association never would have been accomplished; that had it not been for the whippings and burnings and occasional killings the miserable conditions under

which the planters and their families lived before the formation of the associations would prevail in all their horrid totality.

Not from officials of the tobacco growers' associations, but from undoubted members of the associations who occupy obscure positions in the rank and file, as well as from victims, has the writer secured information relative to the operations of the Night Riders. The facts of the outrages perpetrated, that will be presented in this connection, are undeniable. While the capitalist press in the majority of instances has misrepresented and distorted and purposely exaggerated the facts, and in many cases has deliberately fabricated Night Rider stories for the purpose of throwing odium on the tobacco growers' associations, not even the most conservative leaders among the organized tobacco growers can deny that whippings, burnings and murder have occurred as the direct outgrowth of the long fight between their associations and the tobacco trust.

It is not the purpose here to recount the experiences of the Kentucky Night Riders merely to regale the readers of this paper with a series of sensational stories. The business of the Appeal to Reason is of a more serious nature than that of peddling the fiction of romance to satisfy the cravings of the morbidly imaginative. If portions of this story prove to be sensational it will be because the facts themselves are startling and not because of any desire or capacity on the part of the writer to give them color.

What caused the outbreak of Night Riding in Kentucky? What provoked the church-going, law-obeying, God-fearing farmers of the Blue Grass state to arm themselves with switches and torches and rifles and by day and by night to ride like demons as they unbentled in deeds of violence?

These are the questions this series of articles will attempt to answer. Necessarily the discussion will involve a variety of phases. Among the things to be considered are:

Questions to Be Discussed.
 The conditions of life and labor among the tobacco growers before the advent of the American Tobacco company.
 The reduction of the growers and their families to virtual vassalage as a result of the iron policy of the tobacco trust.
 How the American Tobacco company was formed and how it quickly monopolized the field of tobacco manufacture.
 The awakening and rebellion of the growers and the formation among them of associations to fight the trust.
 Appearance of Night Riders and their methods of compelling independent growers to join the associations.
 Increased prices for the tobacco growers' product as a result of pooling, and consequent diffusion of prosperity throughout the tobacco growing regions.
 Efforts on the part of the tobacco trust to destroy the growers' associations, involving press misrepresentations and breeding of dissension among association officials.
 Inevitable failure of organized economic effort to cope with the trust under private ownership, and the awakening of the farmers to the necessity of organizing for the collective ownership of the trust through both economic and political action.

The story of the Night Riders can be told in a single paragraph; an elucidation of the subject will require many columns. Through the consolidation of the independent tobacco companies into a single company—the trust—the growers discovered that they had but one buyer for their product, and this single buyer possessed the power and used that power to force the price of raw tobacco to the starvation point. By organization the growers resolved to confront the trust collectively as one seller, and themselves, in their organized capacity, to fix the price at which their tobacco should be sold. Growers, who for different reasons refused to join the organized effort for higher prices, were usually accorded such treatment by somebody at midnight that they finally joined the associations, moved out of the state, or lived in constant fear of their property and their lives.

Death Preferable to Slavery.
 Kentuckians possess all the pride that possibly can beset a people. This is characteristic of them whether they re-



(Continued on Page Four.)

Debauching American Youth

Capitalism, in a desperate effort to maintain itself, has begun a systematic, world-wide movement for mis-educating and debauching the boys. This appears in the organization of Boy Scouts, first in England and more recently in America. These scouts, under promise of camping parties, instruction in woodcraft and athletics, are being systematically trained for war and taught submission to mastery by the capitalists.

Capitalists are forwarding the movement; the state itself is aiding by giving army officers to train the scouts; and the capitalist press is booming the idea with all its might. It is the most sinister and diabolical attempt ever made, being akin to the white slave traffic itself in debauchery of pure minded youth; and this fiendish thing is openly endorsed by the masters. Because the youth of the world have been robbed of their birthright by the masters; denied the fields, the streams and the woods; condemned to the factory, the sweat shops and the mine; and because capitalism holds out to them as a bait part of the lost heritage that has been stolen from them, the immature fall victims to the plans of the masters, that threaten civilization.

When the Boy Scouts of America movement started the Appeal set its machinery in motion to ascertain the real status of the new organization. The rituals, laws, signs, secret instructions, etc., were secured. Following are extracts from the official handbook which is for the use of "instructors" only: Every American boy, a hundred years ago was respectful to his superiors. It is the exception when we see a boy respectful to his superiors (today).

Although the war dance and songs may seem at first sight to be glibberish, it forms an attraction to wilder spirits who would never join a band of nice, quiet, good boys. The idea as outlined is that "nice, quiet, good boys" are to be trapped with the bait of outdoor exercise, camps, etc., and "wilder spirits" injected to leave the whole to the fighting pitch desired by capitalism. That this is the real object is proved by the following extract from page 42, under the heading "How To Catch Our Boys":

If you bait your hook with the kind of food that you like yourself it is probable that you will not catch many—certainly not the shy, game kind of fish. You, therefore, use as bait the food that the fish likes. You can afterward season it with what you want them to have (1). Here is some of the "seasoning," article 2, in the scout law:

2. A scout is loyal to the president and to his officers and to his parents, his country and his employers. He must stick to them through thick and thin against anyone who is their enemy or who even talks badly of them. Under the head of "The Unemployed," on page 35, the "seasoning" is handed out boldly—to instructors:

It is no longer a temporary excrescence, but is a growing tumor pregnant with evil for the nation. These people never having been taught to look after themselves or to think of the future of their country's good, allow themselves to become slaves by the persuasive power of a few professional agitators whose living depends on agitating (whether it is need or not); and blinded by the talk of these men they spurn the hand which provides the money, till they force employers to spend fortunes either in devising machinery that will take their place and will not go on strike, or in getting foreign labor, or in removing their business to other countries, leaving the agitators fat, but the mass of their deluded followers unemployed and starving and unable to provide for the crowds of children which they still continue imprudently to bring into the world.

This is the sum and substance of the "Boy Scouts of America" movement. The fantastic signs, secret work and camping parties are to turn the attention of immature youths from the reality of modern industry and the class struggle long enough to inoculate them with the idea that the employer's is the "HAND WHICH PROVIDES THE MONEY." Furthermore, the "Boy Scouts of America" is to be welded into "MACHINERY THAT WILL NOT GO ON STRIKE."

The Literary Digest for August 6, 1910, tells of the Boy Scouts of America movement, the badges, awarded, etc. Among other things the article says: "EMPLOYERS OF LABOR RECOGNIZE THESE BADGES. Seeking 'trustworthy' boy service, they are beginning now to look first among the boy scouts."

In a recent appeal for funds the executive committee of the Boy Scouts of America, said: The American Boy Scout movement needs your aid if you are an employer. It will give honest, faithful, disciplined youths for it inculcates the highest moral principles not the least of which is fealty to employers, as well as loyalty to parents and superiors.

The Boy Scout movement started in England two and one-half years ago. It has but recently been transplanted to the U. S. The acclaim with which the capitalist press hailed the new organization showed that it had been carefully studied beforehand and its desirability decided upon. It is a trap, pure and simple, set by the master class for the rising generation.

To counteract this move at the outset the Appeal began, eight weeks ago, definitely to plan an organization of Socialist children with a program constructive and progressive rather than destructive and reactionary. More than four hundred boys and girls have already enrolled. To each of these a free bundle of Appeals and other Socialist literature has been supplied for sale and distribution. The children are carrying on an enthusiastic propaganda work. A contract for badges and buttons has already been placed. These will be furnished the "Socialist Scouts" free of charge. Uniforms and other necessities will follow.

The Socialist Scouts will be taught truth and independence rather than lies and dependence on "superiors." They will be shown how they may provide for themselves without having to provide for parasites as well. They will be afforded a means, through the sale of the Coming Nation and Appeal, of making themselves independent, earning their own livelihood even now, without becoming subject to the master class that teaches them slavery and murder. They will, as the movement grows, be afforded means and instruction for wholesome outings and entertainment.

It is a very important move. The issue between the Socialist Scouts and the B. S. of America is war or peace, slavery or working class emancipation—truth or falsehood. Fasten that expression on the tools of the masters—THE B. S. OF AMERICA. With capitalism coaxing, coddling, drilling and injecting the virus into lads of tender years, it is necessary, not only to forward Socialism, but TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM A RETURN TO BARBARISM, that the working class of America awake to the gravity of the situation and make the Socialist Scouts a power that shall win over the forces of destruction. The Socialist Scouts are an outgrowth of the Appeal Army, a reinforcement that will in time take the burdens on their own shoulders, when they pass from mundane affairs. That the idea will grow is evident. Already it has attracted attention beyond the United States, as the following letter from an English boy will show:

38 St. Donatts Road, New Cross, S. E. London, England, August 17, 1910.

Dear Appeal—Please send me a free bundle of thirty Appeals to start the good work on this side of the pond. Socialism is international and the Socialist Scouts should be. I'm glad you didn't make the name Socialist Scouts of America. I guess the United States boys and girls will let me join all right and I hope that Socialist children in all parts of the world will get into the Socialist Scout movement. Yours fraternally, S. CRICK.

Army, attention! Are you ready for YOUR CHILDREN to enlist in this great work? Write the Scout Department, Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas, and get in the fray.

Another Sugar Steal.

The report of the department of commerce and labor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910, says that the American people ate seven billions five hundred millions of pounds of sugar for that year. Probably seven billions of this was refined, as the sugar trust endeavors to force refined sugar upon the people, and in some places brown or centrifugal sugars are not to be had.

Official figures show that sugar is produced in the Philippines at 65¢ per 100 pounds; in Cuba and Porto Rico at 75¢ and 85¢ per 100 pounds. Congressional investigation showed that the fraudulent grading of the sugars by the sugar trust robbed the sugar planters at these prices, and the government as well in its duties, and this outside of the false weighing. Retail price of refined in United States is 7¢ per pound; in free trade England 1 penny 3 farthings or 3½¢.

The trust draws from America 3½¢ profit on the seven billion pounds of sugar. Seven billion times one and a half cents is equal to two hundred and fifty-five million dollars, more than the

the government amounted to \$1,581,700,195.34. This time embraced a period of more than seventy-two years covering the war of 1812, the Indian wars, the Mexican war, the purchase of Louisiana, the great Northwest Territory, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California. The last congress appropriated \$471,992,205.34, more than the expenses of the government for the first seventy-two years of its existence. The appropriations of \$1,044,401,837.12 for the present year to June 30, 1910, amount to \$2,861,350.43 per day, or \$110,890.85 per hour, or \$1,848.18 per minute.

The sixtieth congress not only appropriated such vast sums of money, but it created a large number of new offices and increased the salaries of a large number of public officials.

Table with 2 columns: Office, Salary. Rows include: New offices created, 16,824; Salaries for new offices, \$13,766,375.31; Official salaries increased, 129,528; Amount for said increases, \$ 9,146,575.20; Official salaries reduced, 2; Amount for said reductions, 2; Amount thus saved, \$420; New offices created, 10,120; Salaries for new offices, \$11,176,890.60; Official salaries increased, 275; Amount for said increases, \$113,365.20; Official salaries reduced, 2; Amount for said reductions, 2; Amount thus saved, \$6,780.

His Niche at Last. Blackballed in Hell, a demon crossed the road. In quest of darker place to lurk and brood; He found his niche, his talents were employed. Promoting schemes to raise the price of food. —John E. Dolson.

The Broad Foundation of Social Justice.

Joseph E. Cohen, in Henry E. Allen's "Problems of Today." Through the dreams of all the ages rings the voice of labor, beginning as a murmur, growing in volume and grandeur as it rolls around the world. And this is the burden of its message: By the sweat of no other's brow shall thou eat bread.

Experience Meeting

Some More "Warranty" Deeds. Before each Indian of the five civilized tribes in what was then the Indian Territory, but is now the state of Oklahoma, was allotted his share of land, Roosevelt issued his proclamation specifying the amount of land that should be allotted to each Indian, the amount he should retain for his homestead, the length of time he should hold this homestead, etc.

There were quite a number of negroes in that country who were slaves for the Indians under chattel slavery. These negroes are commonly known in Oklahoma as "galvanized" negroes. These "galvanized" negroes and their descendants were allowed forty acres each. Roosevelt, in his proclamation, failed to make provision for the sale of these forty acres. And on that account the white people took it for granted that they (the negroes) were privileged to dispose of their land in any way they wished. So, many a poor, deluded renter, who was anxious to own forty acres of his own, a privilege he had never been allowed before in the Indian Territory, bought forty acres from the negroes. The writer was one of the above.

After we bought over forty acres out of our years of toil, and the strictest economy on rented or leased farms, and had a warrant deed, we were informed by those higher up that our deeds were not worth the paper they were written on. So Mr. "Galvanized" Negro moved back on his forty acres and went on his way as if he were Teddy's main partner. W. J. McVey. Rawlins, Wyo.

Politics With a Vengeance.

John Whallen, the big, catholic, democratic boss of Louisville is working hard and nail to elect as the next governor of Kentucky some man whom he can control. If Mayor W. O. Head of Louisville, lands the job it will be Whallen who will be governor, not Head. Ben Johnson, another Whallen candidate, is a catholic, and notoriously takes orders from Whallen.

According to the census of 1890 the catholics of the state numbered 92,504 and the protestants 507,000. While the numerical strength of both has increased, the proportion has remained the same. The catholic organization is a compact machine, and wins easy victories over its divided opponent. Whallen declares the next governor of Kentucky will be democratic and a catholic. T. R. LAYTON. Louisville, Ky.

The Conservation of Lives.

A man during a lifetime will earn approximately \$100,000. It is estimated that John D. Rockefeller's wealth exceeds \$700,000,000. If a common toiler sells his life at the sum of \$100,000, John D. Rockefeller, the buyer, has consumed 7,000 lives in amassing his immense wealth. LUCIUS HENDERSON. La Rue, Tex.

Fool Questions.

No matter who you meet, no matter where you are, somebody is always ready with fool questions about Socialism. There are plenty of questions that can't be ignored. Questions that must be answered. But the fool questions generally come first and as a rule last longest. And they are questions like these: You want to divide up, don't you? You are against religion and the family, ain't you? You propose to rob the rich to provide for the poor, I suppose? Why do you think a man who does work should have no more than a man who does not work? You are opposed to personal liberty, are you? Do you seriously contend that everybody is as good as anybody else? Am I to understand that you are against Christianity? So you would rather be a slave than to be free, would you? It's your idea to turn men into machines, is it? You think it's good for the state to tell a man what to eat and wear and who to marry, do you? Such questions and a dozen more equally luminous questions are fired at the Socialist wherever he goes. Sometimes he answers. Sometimes he thinks answering hardly worth while.

J. P. Morgan as a Burglar

Your article in the issue of the August 13th, on the "Greatest Single Steal in History," is good as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. You omit the fact that the "great" house to be saved was not a banking concern, but Moore & Schley, a firm of crooked promoters who have been mixed up in many shady transactions. If they had failed the world would have been well rid of them.

A syndicate held the control of Tennessee Coal and Iron company. Most of the syndicate had borrowed on their stock. They were easily forced to disgorge to the steel trust by the mere fact of the panic which had been created for that purpose. Oakley Thorne, however, president of the Trust company of America, held his stock in safe, having paid for it in full. This stock had to be secured. The steel trust caused an article to be published in the New York Sunday Times that there would be a run on the Trust Company of America next day. Of course this caused the run, and for days the trust company fought it off; the Trust Company of America was one of the soundest in the country; but it could not, of course, stand a withdrawal of all deposits in a time of panic when no securities could be sold.

There was an all night session of the board of directors of the Trust Company of America at Mr. Morgan's home. Cash would be produced for the trust company's emergency, provided Mr. Thorne would give up his private holdings of Tennessee Coal and Iron for practically nothing. Just before sunrise Mr. Thorne gave way so as to save the trust company and the United States treasury sent about \$5,000,000 to New York banks, which was immediately turned over to the Trust Company of America and the run was over.

The United States treasury furnished the money to allow Mr. Morgan to squeeze the Tennessee Coal and Iron stock out of Mr. Thorne for the benefit of the steel trust. No burglar ever perpetrated a more immoral felony. ALEXANDER BACON. New York, N. Y.

Editorials by Appeal Readers

The Equinox.

The equinox will be one of the issues of the campaign this fall, for the reason that both the old parties are seeking after something new. The autumn variety of equinox, the sign of plenty and fullness will be the symbol on the banners of the corporations and standers of the discussion will likely prove rather dry and thin to the farmers and laboring classes generally.

The spring variety of equinox predicting storms on land and wrecks on the ocean wave will be the slogan of the grand-stand players and the big syndicates. However interesting the discussion may be the voters will get soaked in the end. Like many other things in this country the equinox has become almost exclusively the privilege of the ruling classes. The laboring man is expected to live mostly on work, for the full dinner pail is a back number in politics.

When the equinox is in apogee the business firms pass around the calendars and the corporations water their stock. When it is in perigee they buy the stock back again at a large discount and the subscriber lives through the winter on the profits of his inexperience.

When the ground hog sees his shadow the equinox is put off for six weeks to give the campaign committees a little rest in their checks for the political advertisements that appeared as editorial in the big dailies. Leap year (serial number 1912 under the pure food and drug act) will have a big equinox. Then the sun will stand still for a whole day, the girls will propose, the politicians will impose, the voters will be exposed (and some of them will be dragged) and the country disposed of. R. H. GWINNER. Ashland, O.

Dynamiting the Toiler.

In a letter to George IV, Lord Brougham wrote: Love is dear when it ought to be cheap; a sealed letter when it should be an open book; a reward, instead of a staff for honesty and a shield for innocence. Times change press expressions. Some twenty years ago we read in the Chicago Tribune:

If anybody is not exactly a member of a philanthropic society, it would be best for him to make acquaintance with arsenic and picric acid to the tramp. This causes death within a short time and will serve as a warning to other tramps to keep away from the neighborhood.

And here is a gentle suggestion from that same period in the Chicago Times: Hand grenades should be thrown among the workmen who demand higher wages. That would be a good lesson to them and their fate would be a warning to other strikers.

On the other hand Horace Greeley said: The wage-system is endurable only when constructed with absolute bondage. And Wendell Phillips said: While the patient will suffer, the cruel will kick.

Every time in our history, every interest of civilization bids us rejoice when the tyrant grows pale and the slave rebellious. CONTRIBUTOR.

Encouraging the Inventor. I have waited patiently for several years, thinking you would take up the subject of the United Shoe Machine company, and now I am going to try and give you a few notes. All the machines in a shoe factory are owned by the shoe machinery trust. I may have a machine that would beat any machine for good work and quickness that they owned; if I did

not want to sell to them at their price I could throw my machine away for if a manufacturer should put it in his factory the trust owning the other machine would withdraw the right of said manufacturer to use their machine, and my machine, doing only one part, would become useless. Where is the incentive for one to try and invent a better machine than they have? I understand the Japanese got them to send over machines and American workmen to teach them to operate the machines, they having the patents, refused patent rights in their country, so do not pay royalties on the machines, as we are forced to do. You might find a few interesting figures in regard to the royalties paid the shoe machinery trust by investigating. The harness machine trust is in the same boat. GEORGE L. LEE.

What Are You?

When you work for an employer you produce your wages, pay for all material used, all expenses of the establishment, and fat dividends for the employers as well, what are you? The government is composed of the employing class. You go on a strike against the government for a larger share of what you produce, and are shot out of prison and absolutely no copies are available. For this reason it will not be possible for us to fill your valued order of May 27th. This leaves a balance to your credit of \$4.21, and we should be glad to receive your instructions regarding its disposal. We are very sorry that we cannot send you a copy of our catalogue, a copy of which is going forward to you under other cover. Very truly yours, DOUBLEDAY, PAGE & CO., Mail Order Dept. P. O. Box 136, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Asking About Socialism

Changing Human Nature. My opponents claim that it is human nature to want more, retain what you acquire and never be satisfied. They claim you change human nature. What must I say to this—Indiana.

We do not want to make it so people will "cease to want more, retain what they produce and never be satisfied." The trouble is, the workers are now satisfied to retain only a part of what they produce, while the masters get the rest. Socialists do not want people to be satisfied, even when we get Socialism. We merely want them to use the opportunities Socialism will afford to rise to a higher civilization year after year. That human nature may be modified is proven by the fact that our own ancestors have arisen within five centuries from barbarism to a desire, at least, for civilization. It is human nature to develop manhood instead of always living as brutes at the expense of each other.

Receiving His Full Profit.

How do you propose to bring about a condition in which the worker will receive the full social value of his toil?—New Mexico. By making things so he employs himself. He can no longer own the big machine as an individual, but the machinery of production and distribution may be owned collectively. When it is so owned—and that is what is involved in Socialism—every worker will have a part interest in it, which he cannot forfeit, and because of that ownership will be enabled to employ himself just as an owner anywhere can employ himself. Owners do not take profit from themselves. Because of this fact the profit system will cease, and naturally every worker would receive the full social value of his toil.

Relative Strength.

Under Socialism would the nation become stronger or weaker? Power would be more diffused than now—that is, Socialism purposes to establish democracy both in politics and industry; this would place less power in the hands of individuals than now, particularly in view of the fact that any official might be recalled by the people at any time. But Socialism would establish justice which would make the people more happy and prosperous than now. This would strengthen what rule there might be, in the sense of making it more secure, while it would not be so "strong" in the line of coercion as now.

Non-Productive Labor.

What will be the method of remunerating, under Socialism, public officials, teachers and other non-productive labor?—Oklahoma. Officials are supposed to produce something of importance—that is, order and information as to social conditions; and teachers produce a very important thing—culture. The people who buy these needful things should pay for them. It might be done through taxation as now, or by reserving a portion of production for repairs and other service.

Equality Again.

How can you bring everybody on an equality, regardless of race or color, religiously, morally and financially?—Oklahoma. Socialists have never proposed such a thing. The only equality we propose to establish is equality of opportunity—to give every body an equal chance to make a living and make good.

SOCIALIST FABLES.

The Tuberculosis.

A Tuber Coccus stopped digging into a human being long enough to express his view to a group of companions on an adjoining lobe. "I am tired of hearing people complain of Capitalism," said he. "It does things and it is wicked for the poor to kick about it as they do. Suppose it does kill a few human beings, think of the billions of our kind to whom it gives employment and a good living."

Whereupon, having eased his mind and being always hungry, the Tuber Coccus resumed his dig (furnished by capitalism). C. L. PHIPPS.

The New Version.

Wor-krers av th' Wor-rld'n, yer ar-e a-krig, yeh' how pawld'n' yer lose but yer brains—and yez haven't any.—Mr. Dooley (F. P. Dunne).

More Skillfully Applied Influence

Los Angeles, Aug. 27—Here's another case of skillfully applied influence upon American journalism exerted by the Mexican government. About the first of this year Doubleday, Page & Co., one of our largest and most "reputable" publishers, put out a book entitled "Yucatan, the American Egypt," written by Arnold and Frost, Englishmen. The book was a large one, and was mostly about the ancient Maya ruins, but it contained a score or so of pages exposing the heinous slavery of Yucatan. In the ordinary course of publishing and circulating books, this expensive work should have been for sale for from three to five years after its issue. It disappeared from the market inside of five months!

Here is a letter which I have just received, it having been forwarded to me by the addressee: Mr. J. A. Cunningham, May 18, 1910. P. O. Box 136, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Forward, All Along the Line!

Army, attention! Two weeks ago we told you that there were great things ahead for you. They are the greatest the Appeal has ever undertaken. They stand or fall as you get behind them or lag by the wayside. But the Old Guard never fails.

There are three distinct campaigns ahead. Yet the three are one. The first is, the revival of the Coming Nation and what is involved thereby. This will be an eight-page family paper, with illustrations and articles of discussion and information. It will be entirely different from the Appeal, but will fill a field that is exceedingly promising, being the most original and vital family paper in America. A. M. Simons will have direct charge, while Charles Edward Russell, the most widely-read magazine writer in the world, will write the leading editorials each week. The significance of the Coming Nation is that it will afford means whereby thousands of boys and girls and men and women may make a living. It will sell readily for five cents, with its unique special features, and with an Appeal tucked in its folds for good measure—and half the money is yours! This is to be the commissary department of the new movement. Do you see its importance?

The second division of the work is, an extension of the Appeal lecture plan. It began a year ago when Debs was placed in the field on the basis of a lecture and a subscription to the Appeal for twenty-five cents. The plan worked well in every particular. The lectures were well attended and gave satisfaction, and the follow-up of the Appeal fixed the truths that Debs proclaimed. Besides, they more than made their way, the locals handling them in many cases coming out more than \$100 to the good. It is merely a new way of drawing support from "our friends the enemy." Within the past two weeks Warren has taken the field under a similar plan, and his meetings are surprisingly successful. America has seen the unique thing of people by the hundreds paying admission to hear a Socialist speech, and of late special trains have been run to afford those who were anxious to hear, a chance to do so. Such a thing is entirely new in politics, and indicates that "time is ripe and rotten ripe for change." Besides Debs and Warren, other tried and tested speakers will be placed in the field on the same basis, except that there will be such a variety that locals everywhere can participate in the movement, get a good speaker, pay his way, and fix the points made with Appeals to follow.

The third great task before the Appeal and the Army is the invasion of the south, the carrying of the message to the farmers. Forty-five years ago soldiers were marching on Dixie, singing:

Bribe a good old bugle, boys, we'll sing another song, and when the president called for more helpers in the work they took up the cry:

We're coming, Father Abraham, three hundred thousand more.

The invasion of the south at this time is not for purposes of war, but for peace; not to destroy, but to save; not as enemies but brothers; not to free chattel slaves, but wage slaves and farmers who are under the thumb of the trust. If Socialism is to win in America it must reach the farmer. The Appeal is going after the farmer. As a preliminary to this work, it has had George H. Shoaf, its war correspondent, in Kentucky for weeks investigating the night rider situation from an angle which has never been presented before, showing how the farmers tackled the trust and won. It is a great story you will have in the Appeal during the next two months. It is of vital concern to every member of the Society of Equity and Farmers' Union. Did you ever think that every rebellion against capitalism that has been of sufficient importance to shake the nation started in the south among the farmers? The wheel, the alliance, the populist movement, the society of equity, the farmers' union, the night riders' rebellion, all are southern products, all came, like the food of the people, from the farm. The farmers of the south are still ready to rebel against the exactions of capitalism, and the more so because big capitalism is just beginning to get a foothold there. The south must be invaded with Appeals, for its own salvation. It is crying, "Come over into Macedonia and help us." Will you help first to spread the news and then to send speakers? "The harvest is great and the laborers are few."

Taken together, the work mapped out is stupendous. It is not an abandonment of the old campaign against the exactions of the federal courts and the oppression of American capital in Mexico, but rather a means for making effective the agitation already started along these lines. The work is great—but the Socialist movement is still greater. If every man does his full duty, we will accomplish this—and more.

WARREN AT LINTON, IND.

The opera house at Linton was never before so packed as it was at the Warren meeting Saturday evening last. This is admitted in a press dispatch to the Terre Haute papers. The little mining camp certainly did itself proud on that night and all the surrounding points cheerfully lent their aid.

The Terre Haute comrades chartered a special train and it was a happy and enthusiastic delegation of "reds" that rolled out of the union station here and was steadily recruited at every station along the line.

The opera house presented a scene that warmed the cockles of a Socialist's heart. It was an audience to thrill the beholder and live in his memory always. State Secretary Sheffer did the honors of chairman in most approved fashion.

An old comrade of seventy-seven winters was first introduced and made a stirring fifteen-minute speech that set the blood tingling in the veins of young and old. This was followed by a brief, telling short speech by the candidate for congress in the Linton district.

Then came Warren. The reception accorded him is not likely to be forgotten. Never was an audience more eager or expectant. The speaker showed just a trace of nervousness. It must have been a trying moment for a speaker who has but quite recently undertaken platform work. At any rate, the speaker soon had his audience and held it to a finish. It was something new, so different from the usual propaganda

speech, and every word of it went home. All sorts and conditions of people listened with breathless interest to the calm, logical and forceful presentation of the speaker's theme. His arraignment of the courts in particular had a most telling effect, especially upon the minds of non-Socialists who still entertained the notion that courts are temples of justice. And when he went down deeper into the cause of things as they are he carried his hearers with him to the point of absolute conviction.

The meeting at Linton was a pronounced success in every possible way. Warren certainly delivered the goods. As a result the comrades and sympathizers in and about there are freshly enthused and are working with renewed energy for the success of the movement.

Warren left here with the hearty good will of the comrades in this section and with the ardent hope that during the coming months he may be heard in all the states of the union.

Terre Haute, Ind. THEODORE DEBS.

One on the Railroad Companies.

Socialists of Cincinnati chartered three cars for Dayton, Ohio, to welcome Fred D. Warren, who spoke at McCabe's park on An Appeal to Your Reason.

The Big Four railroad company, after granting us the right to put two large streamers on each car, refused to let us use them. When about a mile out of the city the Socialists got busy and put on the streamers anyhow while the train was bound to Dayton. So the people throughout Ohio had the pleasure of reading on the cars "Cincinnati Socialists." The Cincinnati comrades were headed by their drum corps. All comrades wore a red badge with inscriptions, "Cincinnati," and the Cincinnati comrades took Dayton by storm.

At Middletown the comrades also had a chartered car which was attached to ours.

"The Fremont of Freedom."

Walter Hurt introduced Warren at the big Dayton meeting, where he recited the following original poem. It has been the policy of the Appeal to not print the many beautiful poetical tributes that have been made to Warren and Debs, but in this case Warren is a way, and Hurt's striking lines are given in the name of many who will wish to preserve them.

(To Fred D. Warren, Captain of the Fighting Squad on the Picket-Line of Progress.)

The Social Horoscope displays
The Ancient Order altered,
Because he blazed untrodden ways
Where other feet had faltered.
Above the multitude enslaved
By economic prison
No braver banner ever waved
Than his "Appeal to Reason."
Come, all ye proletarian host,
If native-born or foreign
And pledge our comrades in this toast:
"More power to you, Fred Warren!"
He placed the law of Human Rights
Above a Constitution
That outlaws every man who fights
For a Social Revolution.
And when, victorious, he has passed
Through Persecution's portals,
He'll take the rightful place at last
Among the world's immortals.
On Freedom's pages, sacred quite
As Bible or Koran,
In loyal truth you will write
"God bless you, Fred Warren!"

Gill

One fact outweighs a million errors. The Appeal's Arsenal is crammed full of vital, telling facts. Just the things you'll need in your conversations with non-Socialists and polite apologetics. These facts will be particularly helpful during the campaign. The Arsenal of Facts is a 100-page, vest pocket size, fully indexed, morocco bound booklet. It comes free for a club of 12 clubs, sent in at one time, an order for 12 clubs, a combination subscription and sent card order totaling \$3, or through joint order to the Battle Brigade for a weekly bundle of 12 papers for a year at \$3. It's not an ask.

CRAZY OR GUILTY.

Theodore Roosevelt by his signature made possible the Alton steal of \$116,000,000, which he afterward denounced, and which signature he admitted.

Theodore Roosevelt, by refusing to prosecute the men who squeezed the Tennessee Coal and Iron company and then bought it in for the steel trust, in violation of law, made possible a steal of about \$300,000,000. This is a matter of official record.

Theodore Roosevelt signed the Dick military law which makes every able-bodied man of certain age subject to military duty at the call of the president, thus establishing the greatest military despotism in history.

Theodore Roosevelt, as president, signed the Aldrich currency bill, which made possible a steal equal to all the theft involved in all the watered stocks and industrial bonds issued in America—amounting to many billions of dollars.

Was Roosevelt crazy or was he guilty? Which horn do you choose?

UNDER CONTRACT SYSTEM.

The R. F. D. News, organ of the National Rural Letter Carriers' association, declares that a plan is on foot to abolish rural free delivery of mail and place it under contract system.

The matter has got into the congressional campaign, and farmers in many cases are pledging their congressmen to vote for a continuation of free delivery as it is. It is a thing that should immediately be taken up by farmers throughout the United States. Make your congressman declare himself on this proposition.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the fight on rural free delivery come reports of a systematic assault on the public school system. Taken together it means that private interests are not going to rest content with profit from things as they are, but will seek to destroy every socialized feature we have. If rural free delivery goes, and the public schools are superceded by private schools, then popular government will follow.

We must have more socialization or less socialization. You are going to be forced to take your choice between the two.

THE MEANING OF IT.

I am asked what is the meaning of the "insurgent" movement. It is the reflex of the tremendous amount of agitation and literature that the Socialists have been distributing for the past twenty years. The people are getting better posted on economics, are finding out many things about what government is, and they are becoming restive under the bonds they are beginning to dimly feel. This has been taken advantage of by the most acute, far-seeing politicians and they are riding into power on it, and more will follow them. The masses are not yet educated sufficiently to leave their old parties, but are making a tremendous effort to purify them. In this they will fail, and then each year more and more will drop out of their ranks and join the Socialists. Our vote is continuing to grow and grow, and the future is as certainly ours as tides will continue. The influx will be more and more rapid, as it takes time to educate, and that time is coming to fully six or seven millions of voters who are now inoculated with our literature. It is all bringing water to our mill.

Fight for Free Speech.

Wednesday, August 31st, will be celebrated as Warren's Day by those who are with the Appeal to Reason in its fight for free speech and a free press. Every movement for the betterment of humanity has had its martyrs who have hurled defiance at the oppressors of the race, and by their brave stand have aroused the downtrodden and oppressed to revolt. The reformation led by Luther, the American revolution led by Thomas Paine, the war for the abolition of negro slavery led by John Brown, and in the fight of the working class for industrial freedom, Warren stands forth as the champion of the workers. From the platform at Luna park his path may lead to a federal prison, but while he is free his voice will be raised to plead the cause of the working class against their capitalist oppressors.

It Takes Much Time.

After reviewing the Warren case in detail, the Journal of the Switchman's Union, makes the following comment on Warren and his speeches:

His masterly arraignment of federal judicial methods while at St. Paul, and his challenge since that time to Mr. Lawrence, the attorney general's staff at Washington, to attempt to stop the circulation of the Appeal, have no counterpart so far as we know in the jurisprudence of American court annals. No judge or other high dignitary in the future desiring to suppress the freedom of the press will undertake the job until he has thoroughly digested these two immortal articles upon human rights and human rottenness. He appeared before the court at St. Paul as his own attorney, and stripped his case of every technicality, asking that it be decided upon its merits only, which is: Is he guilty or innocent of having violated the law offering a reward as he did for ex-Governor Taylor? It is requiring much time for the court to decide this question of guilt or innocence. It will probably be disposed of soon after November 8th.

IGNORANT voters—voters that do not understand public questions—are the kind that schemers and machine politicians like. They can be ruled through their prejudices. They do not even have to be bought. Do you understand political questions? Have you studied books on any of them? It is up to you.

AN insurgent is one who has declared his opposition to his party for past betrayals, but who still votes the ticket. The Socialist has left one or other of the old parties and declares by the great jumping Jehoshaphat that he will flock with those who intend to make a change that is a change.

THE old party voters gag at their party and candidates, but haven't the stamina to quit voting for them.

THE Canadian rate for Appeal to Reason is \$1 a year. Increased postage makes the extra price necessary.

Milking the Mule

The newspapers report the strange and sad experience of a man in Indiana who now lies in a hospital with two ribs broken and, it is to be hoped, a wiser man. The night of the mishap the baby awoke and cried for nourishment. The mother finding that the milk in the house has soured asked John, the husband, to go out to the barn and draw a little milk from the cow to quiet the baby.

It was a very dark night. The lantern of the young farmer was not in working order. Groping his way into the barn and then into the stall supposed to be occupied by Bossie, John reached out to extract the lactical fluid—and that was the last he remembered. He had made a grievous mistake. In the Egyptian darkness of that fatal midnight he had got into the wrong stall. Instead of Bossie the cow, it was Jack the mule—and Jack kicked.

The fractured farmer—and this is the moral—did what the average American workman does on every election day. In the mental darkness in which he gropes he gets into the wrong stall and gets the ribs kicked out of him every time. But he doesn't know enough to profit by the experience and stop his foolish attempt to extract milk from the mule.

Every time a workman votes a republican or a democratic ticket, that is to say, a capitalist ticket, he votes in the dark to have the mule kick him in the face, or cave in his ribs, and then he wonders how it happened, and straightway goes and does it over again and so on without end.

As long as the hornyhanded voting king can stand it the mule will hold out—and so will the kicks.

At Columbus, Ohio, just now, and at various other points where the workers got into the wrong stall on last election day and attempted to milk the mule, their ribs are now being kicked out with regularity and dispatch. They voted the republican and democratic tickets in the darkness of their ignorance and now the capitalist mules in uniform are working overtime delivering the kicks.

And this is the perpetual program of President Samuel Gompers and his official allies in the Civic Federation, who are always careful that it is only the ribs of their dupes that are kicked out, while they themselves are feeding themselves fat and waxing merry at the private banqueting board of the industrial masters.

CHAMPIONS of predatory wealth are appealing to the people to stand by the grand old party—the party of Lincoln or the party of Jefferson, as the case may be. That is their only answer to those who put interest of country above party fealty. They dare not openly discuss the causes that are driving men to think and revolt; they simply ask men to close their eyes, stop their ears, chloroform their brains and—stand pat. With those who live in the past, or who are incapable of mental progress, this appeal may win, but with the mass of the people it is folly. The cry of the slave holders of the south was, "Let Us Alone." That today is the cry of the oligarchy which controls the jobs of the wage slaves of this nation. But the world moves. Chattel slavery was abolished and the old slave holdings were destroyed. History repeats itself. Wage slavery will be wiped out, and those who oppose the process will be retired.

Are you willing to divide up your property? I have been often asked by some foolish old party voter, as if that was a poser. Not on your life. If we are to have private capital I prefer to have it rather than that others have it. I tell this chap we are dividing up now and that I get a good deal more than the most of them in the scramble. I know the game better. I told a fellow that he was dividing up with me right now and he denied it and said he never spend a cent with me. He did not know what it was until I explained and showed him how he could not smoke without helping to give me an income. They are so smart, you know? They think they know something about politics and government! But they are not to be blamed. The old parties that have educated them have kept them ignorant.

Old party lines are broken down, and new alignments are in rapid progress. It is interesting to note that Oregon, which cast overwhelming republican majorities, is taken up by democratic states as a pattern for legislation. The democratic governor of Colorado called a special session of the legislature to pass initiative and referendum laws with the recall, "similar to those of Oregon." The democratic platform of New Mexico and Arizona demand similar laws to those of Oregon, and other democratic states have done the same. Only the blind fail to see that the break-up of parties is similar to that of 1854-'60. Great things are in the near future.

The great issue of the campaign seems to be, What is republicanism? While Kansas insurgents are demanding direct legislation and almost every Socialist contention except that the masters get off the back of labor, John Hays Hammond in a recent speech at Cleveland, Ohio, said insurgents are made up of calamity howlers, unintelligent intellectuals and unctious reactionists. In Arizona the republicans are fighting direct legislation, which the Kansas republicans endorse, declaring it revolutionary for the people to rule and calculated to bring calamity. What is a republican?

The rubber combine in which Aldrich, the president's boon companion, is interested, sells rubber boots in England at 40 cents wholesale, which in America retail at \$4. But what do you care? You like to have the profit game worked on you.

PERHAPS the German emperor does rule "by divine grace." Grace means unmerited favor. But because William does not merit rulership, the German people have the right to fire him as a despicable appendage whenever they may desire.

STEALING OUR THUNDER.

A few years ago William Jennings Bryan "made a holler" because he alleged the republicans were stealing his platform. With the old parties the platform is merely a means of getting votes, hence the stealing of planks by another is a serious thing.

This year the "progressive" republicans of Kansas and some other states are doing their best to steal socialist planks, and the Appeal says, Bully!

If they win on these planks and do not carry out the policy they outline (which they will not), the people will have them dead to rights, and that will help Socialism.

If by any chance they should win and pass laws in accordance with their promises, that were not vitiated with riders or jokers, then labor would get some crumbs from the rich man's table, and they would taste good. American Socialism would have forced the old parties to do what it done in Europe only after Socialists get in congress. It would be a Socialist victory.

And the granting of our "immediate demands" would not end the Socialist agitation. Indeed, it would relieve Socialists of the need of fighting for planks and give them all the more opportunity to work for the essential thing, the revolution.

The old parties are not going to steal the Socialist thunder relative to the revolution, because that is what they are trying to head off by their insurgency. As the complete overthrow of the system of robbery is all that counts anyhow, Socialism is safe. Whatever happens, it wins.

Should Be Studied.

From Staats-Zeitung, Kansas City, Mo. John Kenneth Turner's articles on Barbarous Mexico in the Appeal to Reason are of great importance, and should be studied carefully. Turner proves that United States capitalists have to all intents and purposes annexed Mexico, the investment of 900 million dollars by American capitalists placing the real governing power in their hands, Diaz being a mere tool of them.

He also shows that the leading monopolists of the United States, the Guggenheims, Standard Oil, etc., have seized the natural resources of Mexico, gained control of her railroads, and made themselves her masters. To do this they have not hesitated to bring about such tragedies as that of the war in which the Yaquis were decimated and driven into the most atrocious chattel slavery. American capitalists having bought their lands through connivance with Diaz and other American officials.

Furthermore, he proves conclusively that at this moment American capitalists are engaged in buying and selling Mexican slaves, just as the southerners bought and sold negroes before the civil war. Thus the people of this country face the fact that the war for the abolition of chattel slavery was fought in vain, and that even their national government is today conniving actively in the perpetration of the very crime they shed oceans of blood to make impossible. Turner shows us the pirates in the saddle; a country raped in the name of business; the most brutal form of chattel slavery again in vogue, and Americans active in the traffic.

Socialism and Insurgency.

From News, Murray City, O. It is remarkable to note how many Socialists have sprung up in Murray City and vicinity in the last few months. Most of these reformers have come from the republican ranks and present conditions in the party do not seem to diminish their number. The feeling against Taft and Roosevelt in this part of the state is of such character as will not be concealed. Leading members of the party and men who have been favored by their party, are embittered against the man with a club and the big fat fellow they call Bill. What result this change of heart in so many, will have upon the coming election, is a question. Harmon's star is setting and Harding is a great man among the authors of confusion.

Socialism is alleged, is the only door of escape just now and that is guarded by so many cranks and reactionists, that one sometimes feels as if inclined to flee to the mountains and turn the country over to the thugs and thieves until they have cut each other's throats and fertilized the soil with their bones.

Mex come into the Socialist movement as fast as they understand it. When they have read books and comprehend them, they come over. That is how the millions in the world have come into the movement. If it were the hateful thing that capitalists tell them it is would it not be hateful to Socialists when they understood it? They are human just as you are. I have been told by people that they would not have this paper in their house, that it is too vile to be tolerated. When I asked them if they had ever read a copy of it, they never replied with indignation that they never had and never would read a copy of it. Just as if they could know it was vile without ever having read a copy! Such men are nuts for the wily politician. They like that kind of voters. But are such men sensible to their own interests? Don't be a bigot. Reading won't hurt you. A few black marks on a piece of paper can hardly destroy your reason.

A few years ago a poetic genius committed suicide in England because the system under which we are living would not permit him to live and express the good that was in him. He left as his legacy this striking verse:

Bury me with clenched hands,
And eyes open wide,
For in storm and struggle I lived,
And in struggle and storm I died.

A REPUBLIC is a misrepresentation of form of government. The people can have their way only in a pure democracy.

THE democratic party can't come back, which may be taken as proof that the dead don't come back.

The Appeal Calendar.

One of those Appeal calendars displayed in public places between the election will make votes for Socialism. The illustration and the propaganda line underneath it set people to thinking. Your boss or your employer will be put in a calendar in his place. It comes free for a club of five subscribers in at one time, an order for 12 clubs or with a \$1.25 contribution to the Agitation League.

The Farmer and the Middleman

W. F. DEATHERTON, MEMBER FARMERS' UNION.

I want to talk to you Farmers' Union men. I am not going to try to get you to meet in your union and endorse any political party. But I want to talk to you about what we want and what we have tried to do, not only in the Union and Society of Equity, but in the Wheel, the Grange and the Alliance.

Each of these organizations tried to knock out the middleman. They tried to have their own gins, their own stores, their own cotton factories. They have tried to sell direct to the spinner, and they have met with other labor unions and tried to establish co-operation between the two classes of laborers, thereby eliminating part of the middleman.

This is what we want and this is what we ought to have. But have you ever thought of it, my brothers, if we had this complete we would have Socialism?

We have accomplished great things in the union. We have educated ourselves and done many good things; but so far as putting the middleman out we have failed. And I will tell you why. It is because we are not financially able to do these things. The Wheel built a store here in our county seat. They put about \$2,000 into it. The merchants had thousands of dollars laid up. They sold below cost and put the Wheelers out of business. The same thing was done other places.

You want to know how Socialists are going to do what unions of farmers failed to do. We will take possession of the power of government and get the government behind us in every proposition. To make this plain: We once had a toll bridge man, who charged you every time you crossed a bridge. The people found out it was best to have their own bridge and they put the middleman out.

Now we have concluded that it is not right for the national bankers to borrow the government's money at a half per cent interest and lend it out to us at 10 per cent interest. So the Farmers' Union and all other unions have asked for a postal savings bank which will give us money at a low rate of interest. If we had a true people's bank of this kind it would gradually put the private banker out of business, just as it is doing in other countries where they have government banks.

Where would the government get the money to run the business? They would get it from the same source that they get it to run the mail business. They would get it just like the merchants get it. They would collect it from the people. The cost of all business is charged to the people.

To make it plain: We have a merchant in our town who went into business fifteen years ago. He had a moderate stock of goods to start with, but he has charged us enough for goods to pay all the clerk hire, all other expenses, has built a \$30,000 building, and increased his stock to ten times the former size, has bought property all over town, and is buying up rich farm lands all over the country. So you see we are not only buying real estate for him, but are making homes scarce and high and cutting our own children out of homes so they will have to pay tribute to this merchant's children.

This is the system that the Socialists talk so much about, the system that enables a few to own practically all the homes and all the railroads and everything. It is through the freight and passenger rates that we pay for railroads and give them to the Hills and Harrimans.

If we had a government store we would only have to pay the clerk hire and we would soon get used to trading there, just as we are used to dealing with the postoffice, and just as the people in England are used to doing business with a government bank.

In conclusion, if you want all the middlemen out of the way vote for a party that was organized to accomplish that, and vote for a party that runs middlemen out of their ticket. They may be good fellows, but they won't do anything to put themselves out of business. If you think it is best for the people to put the toll bridge man out, it is best to retire the toll man out, the toll railroads, the toll cotton factories, and the toll everything. It is these toll gates that get all you produce, except a bare living. It is the toll gates that enable some men to own millions of dollars' worth of property while others own none.

Batesville, Ark.

Coming Nation Contents.

Editorials by Charles Edward Russell. A greeting by Eugene V. Debs. German on science, invention and history.

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A whole lot of other good stuff.

One Dollar a Year. Ten copies with 10 copies of the Appeal, 25 cents.

The Copenhagen Congress. The International Congress of Socialists at Copenhagen, Denmark, the past week, criticized Roosevelt, discussed the emperor's claim to rulership by divine right, and resolutions were adopted calling for a peace treaty between the warring nations. This is a movement that is likely to have great weight in forwarding peace in the world. It is a movement that is likely to have great weight in forwarding peace in the world. It is a movement that is likely to have great weight in forwarding peace in the world.

LOOK OUT!

With this report we go to 449,207. We need an increase of 703 to put us at the 450,000 mark.

Don't think because the margin is so small that the rest of the Army will surely make it by next report. You know we've been having increases of 200, 300 and 400 for several weeks. If we don't do better than that next week we won't hit the mark. So YOU, Comrade Worker, shouldn't depend on the rest of the Army.

The required increase is so small that your individual work can turn the balance.

Of course we may sweep past the 450,000 mark with a great big gain. So much the better if we do. We'll surely make the pluses sit up and take notice if YOU do your little best this week.

Thirty states go ahead with this report. The battle is being waged with increasing vigor all along the line. Now the campaign's on 'in dead earnest. The subs you get or the subs you fail to get RIGHT NOW will make for lost votes for working class candidates in November.

More of the fight than you realize depends on YOU. Send the Appeal charging into the campaign with a full head of steam and a sub list going straight for the half million mark. To do this you'll have to look out—for subs.

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