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**CARRY CALIFORNIA FOR SOCIALISM**

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THE next "off and on" report will show another big rise in California subs. Always bear in mind that while this report is up to date, the "off and on" column is three weeks old. If the fight to carry California for Socialism and thwart the McNamara conspiracy means anything to you, help plant the seed of Socialism by sending the APPEAL to California non-Socialists from now until after the election. Use blank at bottom of this page.

## MORGAN THE MASTER

The Wall Street Journal catalogue the holdings of the J. P. Morgan syndicate as follows:

National banks \$41,000,000  
 Trust companies 10,000,000  
 Insurance companies 486,000,000  
 Railroad and industrial stock 3,000,000,000  
 Total \$4,874,000,000

The industrial stock includes steel, coal, iron, copper and their manufactured products.

Let us carefully analyze the above schedule. The national banks are the nation's clearing houses. Through them passes the bulk of the bills of exchange which represents the nation's commerce. This gives a measurable control of banking, and this control will be further perfected.

The insurance companies furnish a means of gathering immense sums of money, from the people, which funds serve as cash on which to make those daring dashes into the market, when the big capitalists want to put some of the smaller ones out of business.

The railroads carry the commerce of the nation, and it is said that every year an amount of cash equal to all the circulating money in the nation passes through the railroad tills. The street cars are another cash collecting agency.

The control of iron, coal, steel, oil, and copper, which enter into the manufacture of the work tools of the nation gives an absolute mastery of the people of the United States.

It is said that the Morgan syndicate is now reaching out for control of the packing and milling interests.

The control of these factors in a nation's life, places every producer of wealth in a position where necessity forces him to part with so much of his production as the greed and avarice of the syndicate demands.

Its policy is militant. It brooks no opposition. Wherever there is a strike among its workmen immediately employed, there is no compromise—it wins by sheer force of power. It cannot be starved out, or intimidated.

In its hands the president is a man of putty. Before its throne governors and courts bow down. Legislatures and the congress fawn at its feet, and many of the members of congress are secretly in its pay. The militia, and the regular army are subject to its call, while it keeps constantly employed a force of trained thugs and moral degenerates to serve as strike breakers. It controls the Associated Press, which gathers the nation's news, and a thousand editorial pens have been prostituted to its service.

Schools and universities are under its dictation, and there is good reason to believe that a large section of the Christian church is its ally.

It is responsible for the kidnaping of McNamara, the persecution of union officials, and it has entered on a war of extermination of the unions in at least two states, Pennsylvania, and California.

Pennsylvania has the coal, the iron, and the oil, three principal products in the world's commerce. California is the gateway to the Pacific, and beyond lies the yellow empire, which Morgan wishes to exploit.

It was inevitable that some such combination should arise out of American commerce. It needed for its leadership a commercial Napoleon. This emperor of commerce happens to be Morgan.

It would have been someone else if there had been no Morgan, so it is not the particular man with whom we must deal, but the condition.

**What Will You Do?**

How are we going to deal with this situation? The anarchist comes forward and says, "We will put a bomb under Morgan's house and blow him up." That would get rid of Morgan, but there are plenty more of his kind, and the system goes on.

The industrial unionist rises up and says, "We will organize a universal union, and call a general strike. What for? Higher wages, and shorter hours of labor. What's the result? The increased cost of production would be passed on to the consumer, which is ultimately the working man. Higher wages, and shorter hours, as a weapon with which to fight capitalism become ineffective when the trust became strong enough to pass these wages on, to the public.

There is another school of economists, that put forth the claim that the trusts can be busted, that large aggregations of capital can be dissolved, and the country forced backward to a competitive basis.

The Socialist ten years ago appeared on the political horizon of America, with a prediction of what is now coming to pass. He presented the bold claim, that the only solution of the economic problem lies, in taking the trusts into collective ownership, with democratic management.

The Socialist weapon is the ballot, his method political action.

Capitalism developed out of competition. It grew with the wealth of the nation. No one is to blame that it is here. IT HAD TO GET HERE.

While we are not to blame that it is here, we are responsible for its continuance. Now that the Socialist party is organized throughout the nation and its press is telling the working people what to do, there is no one on whom labor can lay the blame for its kidnaping, its jailing, its shooting and its misery, except itself. It must suffer till it learns, and the sad part of it is that it will learn no other way.

**Whose Fault Is It?**

We are living in a country where all power, possessed by the capitalist class, to rule and to rob is given by the votes of the working people. If you did not

## GOODS ON OTIS

By TELEGRAPH TO THE APPEAL TO REASON

Los Angeles, Cal., June 24.--Rapidly as the days go by the people of Los Angeles are coming to the conclusion reached by the APPEAL TO REASON months ago, that the Times building was destroyed at the behest and in the interest of H. G. Otis, the owner of the paper.

In a recent issue of the Los Angeles Press Otis was virtually charged with the responsibility of the explosion, and in the last two issues of the Los Angeles Record facts and figures were presented that prove conclusively that behind the explosion and responsible for it was H. G. Otis.

It is now definitely learned that Otis accepted a bribe of \$75,000 for throwing the weight of his paper on the side of Pat Calhoun during the San Francisco graft investigations.

Los Angeles citizens will remember when F. J. Heney in a speech here denounced Otis for his championship of the graft and corruption, and concluded with his famous declaration:

**"Beware, Harrison Grey Otis, lest I come to Los Angeles and send you to the penitentiary."**

The people of the United States have not forgotten that, shortly following the speech, Heney was shot in a San Francisco court, and that his assailant was murdered in his cell the night he was jailed. Recent investigations are disclosing that Heney's assailant was shot by the San Francisco Chief of Police, who was later murdered by being drowned while crossing the bay in a police launch.

From information at hand, the conclusion is now being formed that the man who murdered the San Francisco Chief was the man who actually destroyed the Times building, and that this man has been a trusted conspirator and employee of Harrison Grey Otis. At this time all that can be said is that *this Otis agent is alive and not far from Los Angeles.* It is believed that further investigation will disclose his name, with the facts that will convict him of the charges here made.

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If there was nothing to the proposition of "Carrying California for Socialism," and if Otis did not recognize the fact that the working slaves of the Pacific coast were awakening, he would not foam at the mouth as he does. See how the prospect affects him:

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Now let us turn these words around. California has been carried by capitalism for years, principally by the Southern Pacific railroad. It is a country of exploited fruit farmers, a millionaire summer resort, and Los Angeles right now is experiencing about all the hell that is coming to the average citizen. Otis rides up and down his streets in an automobile on which a six-pointed compass is mounted. Wholesale arrests of innocent workmen on trumped-up charges have been disgracing its police courts for weeks. Bitterness and strife are manifest on every hand. This is a hell made by the capitalists and the working people are the victims. These working people are beginning to realize that they have made this hell by their own votes. With the same votes by which they made Otis and his kind, kings to rule over them, they will unmake them. The working people are now going to take a try at the governing business. There will be hell for the men who think they have a divine right to exploit and rob the working class, because this divine right (?) set many years hence will be taken away entirely. There will be hell for the corporations who up to this time in California have had governors, legislators and judges to do their bidding.

Of course, Socialism will change "the present condition of civilized (?) society." When California is carried for Socialism—as it will be—so much will be done as is possible in a state before the entire nation turns to Socialism. The right of workers to combine for mutual good and protection will be assured. Living wages and shorter hours will be enforced. We will acquire for the people public utilities, such as light, water, heat and ice, and make these things serve general need rather than private profit. There will be a rigid control of all state utilities, and collective ownership of interurban electric lines, operated for convenience of the public. The power of the Southern Pacific railroad will be broken as far as possible under state law, and the monopoly controlling markets to the detriment of both Californians and consumers of fruits in the east will be curbed. Popular rule will be established, including direct legislation and the recall, even for judges. Everything that it will be possible to do under local or state law for the betterment of the condition of the working class will be done.

If the capitalists want to run away from California, let them run. California was there before they were. Capitalists and capitalists came because there was wealth to be made from her great natural resources. The capitalists cannot take the mountains or the valleys. The grapes will still grow on the hill-sides and the orange groves will bear fruit. The gold will still be in the hills and the soil will still produce wheat. Let the capitalists run. It will be good riddance of bad rubbish. The sun will still shine and men can still work. The first settlers of California found no capitalists, and they managed to live. The people can still live if every capitalist on the coast packs his trunk and starts for Europe.

Then, following the capture of California for Socialism, will come the capture of other states and finally of the nation. When this last is accomplished the entire capitalist-profit system will pass, and the worker will be enabled under the complete social revolution that will follow, to retain the full product of his toil and become complete master of his own life.

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## CAPITALIST CRIMES.

If anything has been established by the recent investigations it is that big capitalism has been guilty of actual crimes.

The supreme court of the United States, while refusing to punish anybody, found the Standard Oil company and the tobacco trust guilty.

In the investigation of the lumber trust a letter was introduced from Carl A. Drake, former secretary of the Texas Lumbermen's association in which he said: "I am much more interested in the result of the internal workings than scared of any particular danger that may arise to us. For more than four years I have been able to keep out of the penitentiary through good luck and political influence, and I feel that I am getting much too old to change my abode and am keeping up my political connections. Apart from the fact that this admits the prosecution of business to the point of crime it also is a confession of the power of capitalist politics in fostering crime and protecting criminals."

The testimony in the sugar trust case revealed that there had been crime upon crime committed in the period succeeding the blowing up of the Maine and in the very territory that was conquered by the Spanish-American war. The only defense that was made by the trust itself was an effort to lay it on Havemeyer, a man who was dead and beyond the power of prosecution.

The testimony before the committee investigating the express companies showed that "every postmaster general for a generation has permitted the express companies to enrich themselves at the expense of the people."

Business is within itself necessarily a form of exploitation. It takes from the producers and gives to the non-producers. The matter of taking has been clearly revealed as three-fold, through interest, profit and rent. But investigation has shown that in addition to this kind of piracy Big Business has resorted to downright robbery and actual murder, and politics has protected it in this course of crime. That the Maine was blown up in the interest of Big Business and that American sailors and soldiers themselves are not safe from treachery from the powers that rule them is now established beyond the question of a doubt. That it is willing to murder McNamara and anyone else who stands in its way is proven by its criminal career in the past.

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## Peonage No Crime

On June 20, 1911, President Taft pardoned W. W. Harlan, C. C. Hill and S. E. Huggins, of Lockhart, Ala., who were serving sentences for the crime of peonage—holding white men in practical slavery. A few months ago Taft announced that he would not pardon these men and the capitalist press held the declaration up as proof of Taft's friendship for labor. Now that he has pardoned them, it must show his antagonism to and contempt of the rights of the working class.

## ARE YOU A COWARD?

ARE YOU NOT AFRAID TO LEAVE your children in the fierce struggle for bread and butter that the growing trusts and monopolies have produced for those who work? Surely you are not so stupid that you believe there are just as many opportunities now as there was when you were young? If you are, then there is no use appealing to your reason—for you have none. Any man who thinks his children has the same chance to get on as when the lands of the middle continent were free to any who would enter them, as when with a small lot of tools he could engage in tanning, wagon making, shoe making, or a hundred other channels now monopolized by great capital—I say any man who thinks there are as many opportunities now as when we were boys, is simply a simpleton. Men have often said to me that their children could rustle as they had done—the poor fools not knowing that it is altogether different today, and those who say this are so poor, so illiterate and ignorant—they have never been inside a really furnished house, never traveled except on foot or short journeys in a smoking car, never had anything but sweat shop clothes, never ate at a really good hotel—and they say their children can rustle as they have! The pity of it is, that these old party bigots are honest, really thinking they are fortunate, and have as good brains as the so-called "great" of the land, but their brains are undeveloped, are uninformed, like the muscles of the boy who can be made into an athlete by the proper training. But to the men who really think the future of their children is a cause of much alarm. The boys and girls growing up, I mean the great millions of them, will have as little show in the struggle of life against the present combinations of private capital, as do the lambs that send their money to Wall street for shearing. Socialists have made a study of these things—and that is why they are Socialists. They know the cause of conditions and they know the remedy for them, but they are helpless until they can get enough of other whose interests are similar to see the problem and with their votes change things so that every willing worker will have exactly the same chance to rise to peace, plenty and pleasure that any other may. All we ask of you is to investigate. All your old party heeler wants is to keep you from coming in contact with the Socialist argument. You are a soft snap for them now and they don't want you to get away from them, like the rest of us have. Are you brave enough, are you free enough, to read a book on Socialism?

Tax revolution that begins too soon ends too soon.

## COURT NOT SUPREME.

While the supreme court of the United States has usurped law making power and become apparently a dictator, still there is one greater than it. That one is capitalism.

This is shown in the fact that in Macon county, Missouri, they are seeking to revive fraudulent railroad bonds issued in the sixties, in defiance of a decision of the supreme court of the United States. This decision was rendered by Chief Justice Waite and appears in United States court reports vol. 99, p. 21. Waite says:

While there has, undoubtedly, been great recklessness on the part of the municipal authorities in the creation of bonded indebtedness, there has not infrequently been gross carelessness on the part of purchasers when investing in such securities. Every purchaser of a municipal bond is chargeable with notice of the statute under which the bond was issued. If the statute giving power to make the loan, the municipality has no power, either by express grant or by implication, to raise money by taxation to pay the bond, the holder cannot require the municipal authorities to levy a tax for that purpose. If the purchaser in this case had examined the statutes under which the county was acting, he would have seen what might prove to be difficulties in the way of payment. As it is, he holds the obligation of a debtor who is unable to provide the means of payment. We have no power by ourselves to compel a municipal corporation to levy a tax which the law does not authorize. We cannot create new rights or confer new powers. All we can do is to bring existing powers into operation. In this case, it appears that the special tax of one-twentieth of one per cent has been regularly levied, collected, and so applied, and so complaint is made to the levy of the one-half of one per cent for general purposes. What is wanted is the levy beyond these amounts, and that we think, under existing laws, we have no power to order.

As has already been shown by the APPEAL, the bonds in question were issued for a railroad that was never built. Therefore they are fraudulent. The people have three times refused to acknowledge their indebtedness, by an overwhelming vote. The supreme court of the United States, as shown above, has declared that the bonds do not have to be paid. Yet capitalism insists upon having its pound of flesh, and is seeking to force payment of these bonds.

Capitalism is not only criminal in nature, but it is also while making constant appeals to the law, a despiser and violator of law.

## NO AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE

We celebrate July 4th as commemorating the independence of America, won from King George III of England in 1776. On June 22, 1911, almost on an anniversary of independence day, thousands of Americans are in London clamoring for admission to the crowning ceremonies of King George V. The money being wasted on that event was wrested from the blood of the workers here. Where is "free America?"

## BLOWN UP FROM WITHIN.

As the battleship Maine is being uncovered it becomes more and more evident that it was blown up from within. A telegram sent out by the associated press says that "the shattering of the hull expressed by the new testimony of steel ribs bent apart, decks upheaved, and hurried far from their original position, bulk heads crumbling like sheets of paper and apparently inextricable, was far greater than supposed, was revealed by superficial observation."

Following this account comes the statement "on account of this unforeseen revelation all plans heretofore proposed for dealing with the ultimate removal of the bulk have become utterly unworkable." The statement is made that the vessel cannot be floated and will merely be towed into deeper water and sunk. It is an effort to hide the crime that was committed something like fifteen years ago.

There always has been a question in the minds of many as to who blew up the Maine. Spain insisted from the start that it was done by American capitalists. There was a deep significance in the fact that all officers of the craft had been invited away and were in Havana at the time of the explosion. Out of that explosion grew the hysterical cry, "Remember the Maine," and the war which gave to the capitalists Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands. That represented the beginning of the merging or expansive period.

If capitalists would not hesitate to deliberately murder 256 American sailors in order to precipitate a war of conquest for their own enrichment, do you suppose in this period of the merging of mergers they would have any compunctions of conscience about hanging McNamara and a few laborers in order to gain absolute control of the work people of America?

**"CALIFORNIA FOR SOCIALISM"**

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas

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OR SIGN THIS ONE:

I agree to give \$\_\_\_\_\_ the first of each month for six months.

Sender's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**FURTHER BARBARITIES**

**Sworn Testimony of an Ex-Guard in the McClaughey Case — Tells of Leavenworth Horrors.**

The APPEAL's exposure of conditions in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth are said to be worrying the warden. He is not suing the APPEAL or demanding an investigation as he would do if he did not know the charges were true and that the APPEAL is pictured as being in the background. Seldom seen on the streets any more, he is said to have aged rapidly in the past few months. He is beginning to realize the truth of the statement that sin will find one out.

The APPEAL has any number of affidavits which it will be glad to submit to an investigating committee or to the courts when requested. It has been telling the truth and the Taft administration must either put an end to the outrages by firing the McClaughey outfit and prosecuting Leman for manslaughter, or else stand convicted with those it upholds of crime fit only for the dark ages.

J. F. Maxey, a guard at Leavenworth from October, 1, 1908, to October 17, 1910, made the following statements in an affidavit before Walter Lanfersick notary public of Campbell county, Ky., where he now resides, May 27, 1911:

**Ex-Guard Maxey Swears.**

The first incident that occurred that arrested his attention, happened one day when Deputy Warden Leman asked him why he did not report a certain prisoner. He answered that he did not report him because he had seen no reason for reporting him. Thereupon the deputy instructed him to take the prisoner in charge for insubordination and talking, which he did, writing on the charges, "these charges brought by order of the deputy warden, Henry Leman, and were supposed to come from the guard direct. Thereupon the deputy tore up the charges no made against the prisoner, D. C. McLaughly."

After this same prisoner was placed in solitary where he was abused unmercifully by the deputy warden Leman who attempted to get this prisoner to make affidavit to charges against this deponent, which the prisoner refused to do. For several days Leman began beating him with his cane. His cane was a heavy snake-head cane, loaded with lead. He beat him over the head, and the whole upper portion of his body.

No. 6021 was a prisoner sent from Washington, D. C. to the prison for a period of three or four years. He was detailed in the doctor's office; one of his duties was to make ratting company, and then one of the prisoners; he was instructed to make lemonade for the deputy warden, spiked with whiskey, and until through constant handling of the whiskey, the whiskey got the best of the prisoner, and he got drunk. The warden did not know anything about the spiked whiskey. The warden discovered the prisoner drunk and ordered him in solitary.

He further says that he has seen the son of Warden McClaughey so drunk that he had to be carried out of the buildings. He also was permitted to smoke cigars, although smoking was strictly forbidden. This son was William McClaughey.

**Some Moving Pictures**

**Clipped from the Coming Nation. External and Internal Enemies.**

For myself I don't think much of any scheme of defending any country by force because it seems unnecessary. To my mind the best method of defending a country is to declare once for all that it will have nothing to do with war or the preparations for war, but will rest its security entirely upon its own good conduct and the good will of mankind, and then disband the army and navy. I should judge that to be an infinite stronger defense than all the dreadnoughts, forts, fleets, torpedoes, mines, submarines, armor plating (blow-hole or otherwise) air ships, maneuver, warlords, disappearing batteries, big guns, generals, admirals, war colleges, and essays on tactics that now cumber the earth. I should think a nation on that line of defense would be absolutely safe and on any other would live in constant danger even if she had one million war-loops instead of one.

**Charges Go to Waste Basket**

Although not a subscriber I have been reading the APPEAL for a number of years whenever I got a chance to get hold of it, and recently while at Fruita, Colo., I read a number of APPEALS that interested me immensely. They told of McLaughly's outfit at the United States pen at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Like Mr. Zickgraf (or whatever that guard's name is), I was a guard at the United States pen. I also have an honorable discharge from the United States army, marked "character excellent," also a personal letter from J. W. French, McLaughly's predecessor as warden at the United States prison, recommending me highly as to my efficiency as an officer and my general character while working under him at that institution from 1895 to 1898. My record since leaving that service in 1901 will bear investigation, especially my eight years' service with the D. & R. G. railroad, four years as painter and four years as foreman of painting. I am not at all angry for being ousted out of the penitentiary guardship, only sorry it didn't happen sooner; and I will say right here that no money would hire me to do that kind of work again.

I will say, however, that I know that most if not all the charges made in the APPEAL are true. I have personally preferred charges of brutality and graft against McLaughly and Leman, but I suppose they simply found their way to the waste basket in the department of justice at Washington, D. C.

I have personal knowledge of Leman and his henchmen beating a young and frail looking negro convict to death (I cannot recall the convict's name.) Leman Irving, who was the steward at the prison at the time, and who was ousted about the same time I was, preferred charges of graft against the warden and others, stating that they sold several carloads of potatoes raised on the prison farm without accounting for them on the books.

About partially shown to different convicts, I can say that bankers and other swindlers were treated much better than ordinary convicts. When Captain Oberlin Carter was confined in that institution for swindling the United States government of \$3,000,000 he was treated extra fine. The prison surgeon was made to vacate his office and turn it over to Carter for a private gymnasium, fitted up with all kinds of apparatus, such as punching bags and dumb-bells and exercises; also a douche bath was installed for Carter's convenience, and he was furnished with a negro cook, and a servant. I defy McLaughly to deny this; the hardest labor Carter did during his confinement was teaching the prison officials different strokes with the golf clubs.

When McLaughly took charge of the prison he soon began to make room for his entire family; he ousted old and trusted employes in order to fill their places with his pets; he sent to Still-water for F. Leman for his deputy, and I will say that for ignorance, pig-headedness, cowardice and brutality, he could not have beaten the selection, even if he had applied to the Pinkerton people for some of their man eaters. I do not care to deal long with Leman. Any man of ordinary intelligence only needs to talk to Leman for five minutes to class him.

When McLaughly took charge of the prison he brought with him three sons. One of them, the oldest, was installed as identification clerk. He was half-witted and all he had in his brains was Bertillon system measurements. In addition to being an idiot he was a drunken sot; made a practice of going to town and getting beastly drunk and then making gun plays. Sometime in the year 1900 he pulled a gun on Job Hoffman, a guard. This guard took the gun away from him and turned it over to his father. The next day Hoffman was telling this to a crowd of guards. I made the remark that after getting the gun he ought to have bent it over the Dummy's head. Some of the informers, with which McLaughly always keeps himself surrounded, told the warden of this remark, and I soon felt the iron hand, and the first time they found my slightest excuse for doing so my resignation was requested and I left the service of the McClaughey outfit on July 1, 1901, thank the Lord.

In writing this wish to impress upon you that I have no personal grudge against this layout. I really pity them. They are unit for anything and are simply existing by grafting off the public, and so long as the public is satisfied I ought to be tickled to death. I am thankful to McLaughly for firing me when he did, for had I stayed much longer I would have been like him and his family, "good for nothing but to sponge at the public man."

M. H. LAURE. Ex-guard, U. S. Penitentiary, 1895-1901, Helper, U. S.

**Capitalism in South Africa.**

No where in the world does a more excellent basis exist for industrial development. From the seven or eight million blacks which inhabit the country can be drawn an unlimited supply of the cheapest labor in the world. For the most dangerous mining occupations, Kafirs can be obtained at a cost of less than fifty cents per day and on farms for almost half that amount. Coal can be had in abundance, the cost delivered at the pit being little more than a dollar per ton. These two factors have already given rise to an electrical trust which should shortly become one of the greatest concerns in the world.

The Victoria Falls Power company, with a preliminary capital of \$30,000,000, has established itself in a position which, according to a government commission, excludes all possibility of a competing concern in the Transvaal or Rhodesia. The Victoria Falls are situated in Rhodesia near the Transvaal border and are the largest in the world.

In South Africa today the cheapest power in the world is being applied by the cheapest labor in the world, organized in the most complete monopoly in the world, under a government controlled entirely in the interest of monopolized capital. Such a condition certainly promises to produce results worthy of the attention of the people of other nations.

The people of South Africa do not bow at the trusts. These are recognized as economical instruments of production and are encouraged and protected by law, which provides that after twenty years or so the people may buy out the trust. A further provision is that profits cannot exceed 10 per cent, any surplus over and above being distributed amongst the consumers. Socialists in South Africa take the development of trusts philosophically, looking forward to the psychological time when it will be their turn to appropriate the trusts.—A. Crawford in Capitalism in South Africa.

Points and Punctures. A green voter makes a fat politician. In capitalist politics an ounce of promise is worth a pound of performance. So long as men progress it will be impossible to make constitutions which posterity will continue to respect. Better ignorant pupils than ignorant teachers. To be ignorant is bad enough, but to teach ignorance is insufferable. The idle rich will not worry so long as they can find workmen to vote for them in peace and fight for them in war.

There are two kinds of men who are afraid of too much knowledge; those who have none and those who benefit from ignorance. Workmen must love the children of the rich more than they love their own children. If they did not, they would change the laws. Politicians can always be depended upon to watch the revenue. They are careful both to see that plenty comes in and to see that it doesn't stay in. The fact that society can get along better without capitalists than without workmen is known to most capitalists. The workmen are having great difficulty in finding it out. When trusts enter the door, prices fly out through the roof.—Ellis O. Jones.

A Doll (or) Baby Court. It has been suggested that the name of the United States supreme court be changed to the United States juvenile court, as it releases offenders on promises to reform. F. PHILIPS COOKE.

A HALF year's crop is required to take the other half to market. Private ownership of markets is such a good thing for the farmer.

New Edition Red Special. Orders for the "Red Special" have so far exceeded expectations that the edition is temporarily exhausted. It will be nearly a week before more can be printed. In this work must be done on the flat bed process, which print the Coming Nation also. If you are entitled to a copy please mail a note of this and rest assured it will be on hand in about a week.

**Berger Talks of the Tariff**

(Congressman Berger's first speech in Washington was heard with more interest than anything else in this session of congress. The empty house filled up until standing room was at a premium. The speaker was frequently interrupted by questions. First republicans would laugh and cheer at statements made at the expense of democracy; then democrats would cheer and laugh as the republicans were given their medicine. The Kansas City Times has printed most of the columns of the hour speech. The matter is being talked all over the country. Many have wanted to know what the Socialist position was relative the coming fall—the tariff. Here are extracts from the speech which give that position. Suppose you write, not to Congressman Berger, but to the congressmen from your district, or to your senator, asking him to send you a copy of Berger's speech in full. Tell your neighbor that it is the ticket that yet brought out, and that he should write his congressman for it. It is the first time Socialists have had an opportunity to send out ammunition at the expense of the government, and the most should be made of it.)

Some of the gentlemen here have repeated the old threadbare fallacy that the high tariff is to protect labor. Now, I want it understood that there is no such thing as protection to labor in any tariff bill. I want to say this in the name of the many millions of enlightened workmen in this country, and in all other civilized countries, who think for themselves. Moreover gentlemen, you are not in the habit of making laws for the protection of labor. You are continually making laws for the protection of life and property—for the protection of the lives of those who own the property, and for the protection of the property they own. You are continually making laws for manufacturers, bankers and merchants.

But the workman who has no other property than his labor gets scant protection, indeed. If he wants to be protected, he must commit a crime; he must steal or get drunk and disturb the peace or become a tramp. Then the law gets hold of him and gives him protection. Then he gets the protection of the jail or the penitentiary.

No matter whether we have a high tariff or free trade, competition has a tendency to weed out the economically weaker concerns. The process of weeding out went merrily on in this country. Toward the end of the last century a number of the remaining big firms found it more profitable to unite than to continue the fight. There you have the origin of trusts. It is not fair to ascribe the origin of trusts entirely, or even mainly, to the high tariff. The high tariff is responsible for the trusts only as it stimulates competition and inasmuch as it subsidizes the manufacturers.

But the outcome of competition is always the same. Competition always kills competition in the end. We find trusts in high tariff America and in free trade England. We find trusts in Germany and even in little Holland. As a matter of fact, every flourishing industry winds up in a trust. I am not opposed to the organization of trusts any more than I am opposed to the Atlantic ocean or to the Mississippi river, or let us say, to anything that is a natural outcome of conditions. I explained that the trusts are the natural result of industrial evolution, and anything that is the natural outcome of an industrial development I am not opposed to.

While the products of our factories are highly protected, sometimes as highly as 200 per cent, the producer of these products are not protected at all. On the contrary, during the last twenty years Slavonians, Italians, Greeks, Russians and Armenians have been brought into this country by the million. Simply because they have a lower standard of living they have crowded out the Americans, Germans, Englishmen, and Irishmen from the workshops, factories, and mines of our highly protected industries.

And in the steel mills of Pittsburg, Chicago, and Milwaukee, where thirty years ago the so-called princes of labor used to get from \$10 to \$15 a day, the modern white coolies get \$1.75 for twelve hours a day, seven days in the week—having no time to praise the Lord, and no reason either.

Every tariff, high or low, means that it hits the poor man worst. So long as a tax is placed on the necessities of life, it will fall upon the poor man much more heavily than upon the rich man. To begin with it is the poor people who, as a rule, have many children. The tax on shoes will strike a poor sewer digger who has six children six times as hard as it will the millionaire, who has one child. Moreover, the digger can afford it 1,000 times less. Every tariff puts the burden upon the people who can afford it least. Every tariff means that the wealthy people are not willing to pay their share of taxes and that they want the poor people to pay it for them. It means that these taxes go to the manufacturer. This is all any tariff means.

Under the present system, which we call in political economy the capitalist system, the workman's labor has become a mere ware in the market. And the employers, that is the master class, care only to buy the workman's time when he is young, strong, and healthy. When he is sick or when he gets old the employer has no use for him. The employer is not in business for the sake of charity. He is in business in order to make profits—to make money. And high tariff, or tariff for revenue only, or free trade, like "the flowers that bloom in the spring have nothing to do with the cause." Nor can any individual capitalist or employer, no matter how charitably inclined he may be, change anything in these conditions. A business or corporation that should try to run its plant on a charity basis would not last long.

This competition has come to have a fearful meaning to the working class. On the one hand, it compels the employes to get their labor as cheaply as possible; on the other hand, it compels the workmen to compete with one another for jobs. Competition among the workers has become, therefore, a tuthroat competi-

**Rivaling the Coronation**

By Louis Kovelan, Washington Correspondent of the APPEAL. Washington, D. C. June 23.—The other morning I thought a practical joker was on my trail. I had received a square envelope with my name and address written in a beautiful Spencerian hand. I opened the mysterious letter and out dropped a bristol card with the following words engraved on it.

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. TAFT REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF THE COMPANY OF MR. KOVELAN OR THE WHITE HOSES ON MONDAY EVENING, JUNE THE NINETEENTH AT NINE O'CLOCK. DORNING 1886-1911

The first words I remember uttering were, "Someone is trying to play a joke on me." But it was not the case. I learned that all members of the press gallery had been invited, and that Taft's fool secretary put me on his list without noticing that I was a "red."

Needless to add, I did not go. But it started me thinking. I made inquiries, and found out that over 10,000 invitations had been sent out to kings, rulers, politicians of this country, priests, preachers, rabbis, judges, government officials, members of congress and newspaper men.

Why 10,000 invitations? Why should a couple celebrate a twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding in such ostentatious style? I did not have to wonder long. A few days after receiving the wasted invitation I happened to pass near the white house and I saw a half dozen express wagons standing in a row, all loaded with boxes and packages. Men were unloading these wagons with the assistance of white house employees while policemen and secret service men watched.

In short, the president prostituted his prestige as the chief executive of a great republic for the purpose of securing valuable presents. It is estimated here that the silver wedding has netted "Injunction Bill" nearly a half million dollars in gifts from parasites everywhere. The same trick was worked by the "Big Mouthed One." Teddy sent his daughter, Princess Alice, a few years ago to all corners of the earth. Her panhandle tour was a grand success. In fact, she brought back so much that the San Francisco customs authorities at first refused to let her in without paying the regular duties.

Taft, who is about to leave his easy berth at the white house, has also been clever in making the most of his last days. The silver wedding, it is said, has resulted in stacking up the vaults of the white house with more jewels and riches than are to be found in the palace of an oriental potentate. Thus has our foremost injunction judge mixed business with sentiment! What should have been a quiet family affair has been flaunted to the public for material gain. What was the concern of only the members of the Taft family has been put on the stage with plenty of bombast and noise.

The night after the gorgeous celebration, the poor of Washington, were given the "leavings." Taft, out of the kindness of his heart, ordered that the "general public" be allowed to look over the grounds and the trimmings which furnished so much enjoyment to the "upper crust" the night before. To the credit of the respectable poor of the national capital let it be said that they did not inspect "the leavings." Only the snobs and sunks went.

Washington is today discussing Judson C. Welliver's article showing that the insurgents have split on the rocks of federal patronage and Canadian reciprocity. Welliver has been the chief booster of the insurgents among all the Washington correspondents who follow the lead of Lafollette. Welliver said in his remarkable statements that the insurgents "are more concerned about saving their own bacon than to formulate national policies." Considering that this charge against the insurgents comes from Welliver, we can without hesitation line up the insurgent "statesmen" with the other hunters of "the bacon" in congress.

Capitalist Civilization. Even the best of modern civilization appears to me to exhibit a condition of mankind which neither embodies any worthy ideal nor possesses the merit of stability. I do not hesitate to express the opinion that if there is no hope of a large improvement of the condition of the greater part of the human family; if it is true that the increase of knowledge, the winning of a greater dominion over nature which is its consequence and the wealth which follows upon that dominion are to make no difference in the extent and intensity of want with its concomitant physical and moral degradation among the masses of the people, I should hail the advent of some kindly comet which would sweep the whole affair away. What profits it to the human Prometheus that he has stolen the fire of heaven to be his servant and that the spirits of the earth and air obey him, if the vulture of pauperism is eternally to tear his very vitals and keep him on the brink of destruction.—From Prof. Huxley's writings.

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**EARLY MONOPOLIES**

By C. L. PHILIPS. VI. The Georgia Company. A unique company was chartered in June, 1733, by the king of England, in which the territory between the Savannah and Altamaha rivers westward to the Pacific, was granted to a corporation to be held in trust for the poor. It was the first time in history that a corporation was formed and a monopoly was granted, not for purposes of profit, but for philanthropic reasons.

At that time so many people were imprisoned for debt in England that they were becoming a burden upon the taxpayers. No doubt the charter was granted to James Oglethorpe and his corporation more for the purpose of relieving the situation in England than for benefiting the poor. Oglethorpe, however, planted at Charleston, S. C. a colony composed of the most part of men and women who had been released from prison only on the promise of leaving England. The liquor traffic and the slave traffic were both forbidden by law. The colony prospered as no English colony had done up to this time. Later on, several women taken from houses of ill repute were transferred to Charleston, and it was a noteworthy fact that these women and the men who had been in prison when given opportunity to make decent living became good, moral citizens. It would be impossible to make a stronger argument for justice and correct environment than is furnished by the example of the Georgia colony. Later, Spain laid claim to the same territory that had been granted to the Georgia company. A war ensued which was naturally detrimental to both. During all this time Oglethorpe lived as others of the colony did, without private titles to the land were established. The prohibition of rum and slavery was repealed. The charter was voluntarily returned to the king of England and a royal government was established in place of that which Oglethorpe had founded. Thereafter the Charleston colony became like all other of the American colonies.

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Beha's Wonderful Meetings

By GEORGE D. BROWN.

By Telegram to the Appeal to Reason, the Appeal to Reason and Eugene V. Debs, working in combination as they have been for the past year and a half, the most successful propaganda work in America—John Hall, Jr., of Massachusetts.

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The comrades of Elizabeth, N. J., never fail to make good. They have had years of organization experience and know just how to go about propagating the Appeal to Reason. Three or four of the Appeal meetings have been handled by these comrades.

I have heard the "Marcelline" rendered many times, but truly it seemed that I never heard a strike two Debs away from power and soul that was put into it by Mrs. J. W. Cane of New York at our Bayonne meeting. It was wonderful, and during the audience which followed the back again and again if she would have permitted.

The people all along the line, Socialists and non-Socialists, appreciate what the aim of the Appeal to Reason is, and they go to the meetings with a purpose, to hear the Appeal to Reason and Eugene V. Debs, working in combination as they have been for the past year and a half, the most successful propaganda work in America—John Hall, Jr., of Massachusetts.

Women and Children Jailed

Gilson Gardner in a Syndicate Story. Greensburg, Pa., June 16.—The famous Western coal strike, which has been in progress nearly a year and a half, has reached a new stage.

The little crippled girl was arrested, taken to the county jail, and put in a cell. She was sitting on the front porch of her home when the village scab went by on his way from work. The little girl began to laugh at the scab, and he said, "You'll be in there as long as you live."

Now, while the Maine disaster is again in the public mind, let me tell you of a woman who was working on the coast of Maine, and who was protecting the capitalist against a strike.

The Appeal to Reason is a 112-page, fully illustrated, pocket-size book which comes free for a club of twelve sent in at one time, an order for one copy or through joining the Appeal to Reason.

Notes of the Struggle

A work people's college, conducted at Smithville, Minn., by Finnish Socialists. Two thousand persons participated in the Socialist picnic given by Local New York City Sunday, June 18th.

There is no rest for the wicked. Such was the feeling against Dicks in Spain; he was advised to move on, and has gone to Switzerland. Local Buffalo, N. Y., will hold its annual picnic at Electric Beach July 4th.

Another Socialist speech was stopped on the street corner at Erie, Pa. The speaker, Aurora Socialist, will protest the passage of the city council of a proposed bill prohibiting free speech.

State convention of Socialists of Virginia will be held at Richmond, July 23 and 24. The Bohemian National Socialist organization has applied for affiliation with the American Socialist party.

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Brann Revisits Otis

W. C. Brann, publisher of the Otis, revisits Otis. The paper sold readily, I think I can sell forty Brann's. Brann is going to help me—Martha Leuberry, Arizona.

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THE APPEAL ARMY

Win One in July. July is one of the hottest months. Capitalist, plus politicians and some Socialists are trying to get you to vote for the rest of the year.

Each work of the APPEAL publishes the names of those comrades who send the largest lists of subscriptions. The APPEAL will put your name and that of your non-Socialist on the list for ninety-five weeks each.

Each worker who sends two such subscriptions receives a two-color pin-button, reproduced above. This is one and one-quarter inches in diameter.

Suppose This Were You. Capitalism is determined to "get" two union men near the top of the Appliance. If the game cannot be successfully engineered on the Pacific coast capitalism will shift the scene to Indiana, or to Georgia, or to Maine.

Reforms in Mexico. Mexico has announced some reforms which he says he will inaugurate in Mexico. One is the restoration to the Zapotecans of the Yucatan.

THE ROSE DOOR is the story of a woman. Men bring girls to this house; women keep them from leaving it by closing all other doors to them.

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They Cry Enough

The following was just sent out from Indianapolis, Ind., by the United Press:

Eight indictments were returned in Indianapolis today against William H. Burns with kidnapping John J. McNamara in connection with alleged dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times.

This is clearly an effort to escape from the difficulty the prosecution of McNamara for blowing up the Los Angeles Times is experiencing as it goes into the merits of the case.

When the APPEAL army turned its guns on the coast and began to shell the woods with broadsides of the APPEAL to Reason, the capitalist press began to sit up and take notice.

But let them take him back to Indianapolis, if they can. It will only spread the fire that much the more.

SCARCITY OF SOLDIERS.

It is becoming hard to hire men to commit murder, even when they risk only their lives and not imprisonment in doing it.

The war department announces that there are more than forty vacancies in the West Point class, for which no applications have been received.

The navy department is continually advertising for recruits, and evidently without great success, because it is now compelled to offer premiums to induce young men to enlist.

There is really nothing astonishing about it. The working people, who have always done the fighting of the world, are awakening to the fact that the soldier is merely a hired hand of capitalism.

PEONAGE IN THE SOUTH.

Much has been said in times past of peonage in Mexico. What was said was true and the condition was appalling.

Many farmers who control large numbers of tenants in the cotton belt, and while we are in no wise questioning the integrity of these gentlemen nor impugning their methods as far as their honest, the fact exists that if another farmer wishes to remove one of these tenants...

ASKING ABOUT SOCIALISM.

An Approach to Socialism.

Is there anything conducted by the people now that is any way resembles Socialism? The public school comes nearer to it than anything else.

Eternal Destiny.

Why does Socialism care nothing for a man's eternal destiny? A man's mission in this world is to prepare himself for the future life.

No Dividing Up.

Under Socialism, will all property be confiscated and redistributed? No. Socialism is not a dividing-up proposition.

Socialist Revenue.

If, under Socialism, we have no tariff tax and no internal revenue, from what sources will we get money to run our government?

Earned and Unearned Money.

Suppose I saved money from my labor and invested in an oil well until I became a capitalist.

Socialists and Battleships.

What would Socialists do with battleships if they got into power? While the battleship represents only waste and destruction, it might be used as a floating hospital.

Socialism and Anarchy.

What is the difference between Socialism and anarchy? Socialism is a system which recognizes political government and full industrial organization.

GROWTH OF LANDLORDISM.

The St. Louis Journal of Agriculture publishes some statistics on Oklahoma farms which show a surprising growth of land monopoly.

THE LITTLE FELLOW.

In these days when it is popular to denounce the trust, it is well to consider another aspect of the question. The trusts claim that less than 25 per cent of the profits of the country are absorbed by the trusts.

A CORPORATION calling itself the Advertisers Protective Association has been organized for the purpose of fighting the pure food law.

There is no greater testimony to the power of the APPEAL than the closeness with which the capitalist press watches its columns.

THE ENGLISHMAN'S coronation robe had a train that dragged in the dirt eighteen feet in length.

Here is Tom Reed's definition of a trust: "A trust is a body of rich men entirely surrounded by water."

Socialists at Work

A note in this department of the building of the Socialist hall at Ceres, Cal., has brought to the local comrades several inquiries as to how the hall was built.

Within four centuries, one of the races of mankind, the red, has been run practically extinct. A continent four times as large as Europe has been filled with the people of Europe.

WASTE OF COMPETITION.

Only one in five has a home of his own, and when their estates are settled, nine out of ten leave nothing as a result of life-long effort.

The safety valve of the Socialist movement is now, and ever will be, the tolerance of its members toward each other.

The underdog, recognizing the class struggle between the capitalist class and the working class, constituting themselves into a political party distinct from all other parties.

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What would Socialists do with battleships if they got into power?

While the battleship represents only waste and destruction, it might be used as a floating hospital or for carrying school children free on cruises for their educational benefit.

What is the difference between Socialism and anarchy?

Socialism is a system which recognizes political government and full industrial organization. Anarchy does not believe in government of any sort.

The St. Louis Journal of Agriculture publishes some statistics on Oklahoma farms which show a surprising growth of land monopoly.

In 1900 there were in that state 108,000 farms. This had increased in 1910 to 189,000. The increase coming through a decrease in the size of the farms from 213 to 152 acres.

In these days when it is popular to denounce the trust, it is well to consider another aspect of the question.

The trusts claim that less than 25 per cent of the profits of the country are absorbed by the trusts, and there is reason to believe it is true.

A CORPORATION calling itself the Advertisers Protective Association has been organized for the purpose of fighting the pure food law.

There is no greater testimony to the power of the APPEAL than the closeness with which the capitalist press watches its columns.

THE ENGLISHMAN'S coronation robe had a train that dragged in the dirt eighteen feet in length.

Here is Tom Reed's definition of a trust: "A trust is a body of rich men entirely surrounded by water."

FREEDOM carries with it the idea of dominion. When the workers become free they will and must rule.

ARMIES are not to protect the people, but the property of the workers which they have despoiled.

Knock—but see the blow lands on an enemy of labor, not on one of your own class.

Capitalism Balancing the Books

Capitalism is closing its old accounts and balancing the books. This is the meaning of all the investigation and so-called prosecution that is in progress.

It has always happened at the close of some particular era, when the class that dominated it was exposed, that there were prosecutions, investigations, and trials followed by the beginning of a new system of robbery, new as to detail, but following the old line of exploitation through profit, interest and rent.

There is always a slight difference between the methods pursued under a new era from that which preceded it.

The same difference will be observed in events from this day on. We have passed the period of formation of trusts, the period of the formation of mergers, and now we have come to the period of the MERGING OF THE MERGERS.

A new set of capitalists have come to the front also, each with his individuality, and this will be noticeable in events that follow.

The present method is that which belongs to the Morgan group, the DOMINATING influence in American finance, if not world finance, today.

The exposures in the lumber trust show that if a saw miller sold to a consumer he was blacklisted and could not sell to any dealer.

Writing has to be learned just as farming does. The APPEAL receives complaints that local papers will not print matter submitted to them.

THE HEADS of the army are preparing a system of appeal to school and college boys to join the army for summer vacation in order to pass the time and make a little money.

Big things are done a little at a time. The great revolution must begin by capturing precincts, cities and states.

Work is all right, but to have to beg another for work and divide up the product of that toil with him is hades.

The employees of the people are the masters of their employers and cannot be "fired."

HIT things right under your nose, but keep your eye on the final goal.

If necessary to make complaint please send recent card, seal, all APPEAL remitters of \$1 or more.

July Fourth, 1911, is red-letter day. Don't forget it, Red.

A Red-Letter Fourth

How many of you boys and girls will join me in giving the Little Call APPEAL a red-letter Fourth of July?

On that day I speak in an Arkansas city. Sometime between dawn and dark I pledge myself to get at least one APPEAL subscriber—more if I can—and mail my list in an envelope addressed in red ink.

Remember, fellows, along with other preparations for the glorious day salt down a determination to land at least one new sub and give the APPEAL a red-letter Fourth of July.

The subscription report follows:

Table with columns: STATE, OFF, TOTAL. Lists subscription data for various states including Pennsylvania, Ohio, California, Texas, New York, Oklahoma, Washington, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Kansas, Michigan, Oregon, Arkansas, Iowa, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, New Jersey, Idaho, Utah, Kentucky, Florida, Louisiana, Alabama, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Nevada, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, New Mexico, Virginia, New Hampshire, Canada, Arizona, Utah, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Wyoming, South Carolina, Rhode Island, Nevada, Alaska, Foreign, and District of Columbia.

On the Sick List

Table with columns: STATE, OFF, TOTAL. Lists names of subscribers on the sick list from Vermont, Delaware, and a total of 12,971 subscribers.

Red Letter Day

TAKE AT LEAST ONE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE APPEAL EARLY ON THE MORNING OF JULY FOURTH. BEFORE SUNDOWN GET SOME RED INK AND ADDRESS THE LETTERS.

Some Pledges

I pledge myself to secure at least one red subscription July 4th. I speak at Winfield, Kan. Let's celebrate in red and give Socialism a boost—H. Puffer.

SOCIALIST FABLES.

The Change of Yokes.

An ox who had worn a yoke so long that it had become galling, complained to his master. Whereupon the master removed the yoke; and the ox was duly grateful.

The Fly Trap.

A working man stopped to look at a fly trap where thousands of insects were clambering up the walls inside, trying in vain to escape.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Joe T. Guentermann, please write H. C. Guentermann, his son, 1125 W. 15th, Davenport, Iowa.