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A Story of Corruption, Robbery and Crime!

(I ask our readers to give careful attention to every word printed on this page. It is worth while to read what is here presented but for what is to follow. It is the opening gun in the APPEAL's fight for the right to print the truth and it is a call to all the people of the United States to join in this fight for freedom of the press. Please call this copy of the APPEAL from home to home in your community so that each of us may reach ten people, giving us an audience of 6,000,000 people, almost one-half the voting population of the United States.)

FIRST of all, we reproduce an editorial from the Leavenworth Times, whose editor is Congressman D. R. Anthony, as follows:

A BAD BUNCH.

If anything further were needed to convince the people of the country that the men who are back of the anti-socialistic legislation, commonly called the Appeal to Treason, at Girard, Kan., are dishonest and untruthful that need has been supplied by the silly and ridiculous articles recently published by that paper in its efforts to delude its followers into "couching" up money for "defence" funds of one kind and another. The editors of the Girard anarchist sheet lost the confidence and the respect not only of all good citizens but of all self-respecting Socialists who have been following their bogus defense and published lies broadcast in behalf of the McNamara, the self-confessed murderers and dynamiters.

Recently this Girard outfit has been lying about the editor of the Leavenworth Times, charging us with being responsible for the prosecutions the government has brought against the Socialist publication of innocent and filthy articles in the Appeal to Treason. The editor of the Times has never once mentioned the names of these Girard men in the publication of Washington nor to any officials at Washington or in Kansas. In connection with the pending prosecutions of the government, these anarchists have been publishing articles which are brought against them through them they appeal to their deluded followers for money to "defence" funds, which appears in their coffers in a continuous stream.

The better class of Socialists generally over the United States recognize the treacherous set of dishonest men at Girard who make no attempt whatever of telling the truth. Socialists of the high class of Victor Berger, the Socialist representative in congress, absolutely disclaim any connection whatever with these Kansas agitators.

If the honest advocates of the principles of Socialism respect the things for which they are working the sooner they put their names of disapproval on the back of the Appeal to Treason bunch at Girard the better.

Why Anthony Feels Aggrieved.

THE REASON is sufficient for Mr. Anthony's dislike for the APPEAL. Mr. Anthony is the political sponsor and backer of ex-Deputy Warden Lemon, Judge Pollock and Prosecutor Bone.

The occasion of this particularly virulent outburst on the part of the more or less distinguished congressman from the First district of Kansas was the publication in our issue of the following letter from one of Washington's best-known newspapers, correspondents:

I am interested in the difficulty that you are having with Washington over the APPEAL. Now I have diagnosed the political end of the thing. The federal penitentiary has always been the property of the Congressman Anthony, who represents the district. The officers, including Lemon, were of course, in his machine. Your exposure of the Kansas state penitentiary, two or three years ago, have hurt him enormously, and he is aching for revenge. The APPEAL can give him just what he needs. The Kansas delegation badly and since Anthony and Curtis are the only standpatners in that delegation he is willing to give practically anything they want, if the United States government can furnish it.

In our issue of July 8th of last year the APPEAL in the course of its exposure of the vile and corrupt conditions existing in the Leavenworth federal prison, pointed out that one of the petty grafts was the free use of the convicts and the prison workshops by the deputy warden for the private benefit of his particular friends and companions. Congressman Anthony was included in this list. At the time this publication was made that gentleman threatened to have the APPEAL in court to prove its assertions. That was nine months ago.

Mr. Anthony evidently changed his mind. It is possible that the fact that the department of justice issued an official order prohibiting the use of the prison workshops and the free services of the convicts for private accommodation, had something to do with the congressman's failure to vindicate himself in the courts.

Two Suits and a Fancy Vest.

IT is also quite possible that the following facts, set forth in a letter written by a convict in the said federal prison at Leavenworth, may also have had some deterring influence. This letter was written by a man who worked in the prison tailor shops several years ago. We have not used it until now, and its publication would have subjected him to a term of solitary confinement on bread and water, if not worse. This man is now at liberty and ready to testify to the truthfulness of what he has written. The letter itself bears all the evidences of truth on the face of it. Read it and decide for yourself:

"Congressman Anthony has had two suits and a fancy vest made in this prison. The vest was brown and stitched with black thread. The foreman of the tailor shop, Mr. Ryson, told the convicts when he gave out the clothes to make that they were for Mr. Anthony. Mr. Ryson at the same time told us that

remnants of their sad and wretched lives beyond all hope of salvation, and in which it will be shown that Congressman Anthony had a direct interest as a contractor and that with other human leeches he fattened on the blood of their misery and degradation. Is it any wonder that to such an unscrupulous exploiter the APPEAL to REASON, which uncovers the cesspools from which he and his kind draw their filthy, appears as a vile and anarchistic sheet? Now follow us through Mr. Leavitt's article.

Instruments of Torture.

In nearly half the states of the union today the basic industrial conditions in the prison world are virtually as they were fifty and one hundred years ago. Everywhere from Maine to Texas, we find prisoners to outside interests, for the profit they may take out of the prison. That is, men without rights are put completely into the hands of a man without a conscience.

The punishments were varied and frequent, but the most common was by the paddle, a scientific instrument carefully devised to inflict a maximum of suffering without infringing upon the humane laws of the state. . . . Now the paddle is but a plain, smooth wooden board, sometimes of leather shaped like a tennis racket and fastened with copper rivets to a wooden handle. It weighs about two pounds. The auxiliary handles consist of a leather barrel, chains, handcuffs and ropes. The ladder is about nine feet long and has a set of brackets in which the barrel is held firmly, lengthwise. The barrel is small, perhaps the size of a half barrel. The prisoner, stripped, is laid upon the barrel, feet roped to one end and one hand of his hands bound with steel outlets which are chained to the other end of the ladder. Two men then unite their strength to stretch the ropes and draw up in order to prevent the prisoner's body from moving or giving at any point, thereby weakening the force of the blows. In short, the man's body is placed on a plane, automatically, that every blow of the executioner will yield his maximum result in human suffering. The prisoner's head is covered by a sheet, so that he may not see his tormentors. . . . The blows are then laid on. Some men can stand as many as sixty or seventy blows without others collapse at fifth or sixth; most of them faint at the tenth or twelfth blow and mercifully remain unconscious.

Where Anthony Comes In.

WHAT, you ask, has Congressman Anthony to do with this? We answer by introducing Mr. Anthony to our readers as the vice-president of the Union Overall company, a corporation which has for years contracted for the prison labor of a number of states and inflicted upon the helpless convicts at its mercy the brutality and crime hereafter described. This statement is made on the authority of Julian Leavitt and the American Magazine. The reports show that the inmates of state prisons in which Mr. Anthony had a revenue interest were flogged, tortured and beaten into unconsciousness, when under the report rules, they failed to grind out profits fast enough for the human hyenas who had contracted to exploit them to the last gasp in their blasted lives.

Flogging the Inmate.

QUOTING from the report of a legislative committee which investigated these prison conditions Mr. Leavitt shows what terrible punishment we have space for only a few:

Hampton. . . . A convict sent up from Jackson. He had twice been in the asylum for the insane. . . . He was flogged three times. . . . He was given forty-five blows. . . . Shortly after he was returned to the asylum. He was at one time knocked down by a prison officer by a cane; at one time when he was taken out of a cell it took three men to subdue him. After having given up and begging for mercy, an officer with a pair of handcuffs, cutting open his scalp so that the doctor had to sew up the wound.

We ask the reader to keep this picture in mind until we show Mr. Anthony's complete connection with the system. Then you will understand why the Kansas plunderbund is angry at the APPEAL. The APPEAL is guilty of the high crime of entering the Leavenworth federal prison, the private preserves of these gentlemen and their choice of confederates, and having brought to the light of day the hideous practices of that infernal institution by which all these distinguished gentlemen profited to a greater or less extent.

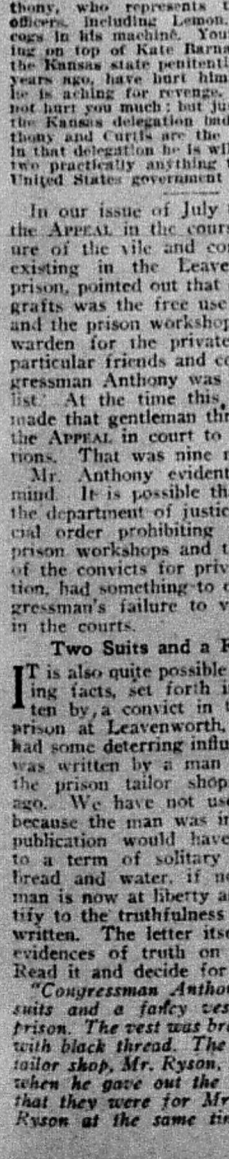
The Torture Chamber.

Walski, who committed suicide in order to escape a long flogging, was given forty blows on May 10th and this figure is given below. This occurred at about the same time that Hampton was being flogged, and the soundproof door of the torture chamber was purposely left open, so that in the intervals between his own beatings Walski might hear Hampton's cries for mercy. . . . When they drew him from the cell and thrown into his cell to remain there until another day, when he was taken out and a ball and chain riveted to his leg. This he had to wear for four months without it ever being removed for a moment.

Williams, a mere boy, the doctor admits, should be in the insane asylum. One day he was used by mistake black thread instead of white on three dozen of overall suspenders. For this he was taken to the bull pen and given twenty-five blows.

Breco, another boy, so severely whipped that he had to be taken to the insane asylum seven days after he had been punished.

This revolting list might easily be extended to fill several pages of this magazine. The volume of 2,000 pages of testimonials, simply a volume of medicinal horrors, they are the very basis of prison policy where the dominant force is the contractor and his demands for maximum profit.



Filth and Degradation.

CONTINUING. Mr. Leavitt says: "The filth and degradation of it is indescribable. . . . Conditions in the shops indicated that the men were worked to the physical limit, far beyond that expected in a free shop. . . . It seemed as though every man was exerting every atom of energy in his making-up to perform the tasks assigned him."

And still the horrible punishment was inflicted upon these unfortunates, flogged under the contract system, to heartless contractors like Congressman Anthony and the so-called Union Overall company, to be sweated, beaten and murdered, to turn a maximum of gold with the life of a convict upon it into their private coffers.

In the foregoing Mr. Leavitt dealt with a Michigan prisoner, but he now comes to a Kansas penitentiary of the same kind, for, he said, the prison conditions in all these black holes in which the convicts have been farmed out to private contractors for private gain are essentially the same. Says Mr. Leavitt, in writing of the Lansing penitentiary, near Leavenworth, in which Congressman Anthony had a material interest in the shape of dollars and cents: "Miss Barnard's report contains some of the most sickening testimony ever printed in the English language."

Miss Barnard, it need hardly be explained, is the reformer, whose name is widely known and who long served as commissioner of charities and corrections of Oklahoma.

Miss Barnard was insulted deliberately by the prison board of Kansas and treated with the coldest incivility by the warden of the Lansing prison at the time she presented herself for investigation of that rotten institution. But Miss Barnard persisted and the fruit of her investigation furnished the most sickening and shocking sensation ever felt in that section of the country. But we will let Mr. Leavitt tell the story:

bile hyenas who are at the head of it the "company" is able, through rules and methods of its own, which are enforced upon the helpless inmates, to grind enormous profits out of these mental and moral derelicts.

George B. Cox, the republican boss of Ohio, who for a generation has been a stench in the nostrils of the nation, and who was recently forced into private life by what threatened to be a popular uprising against him and his machine, has been for years the president of a similar company to that in which Congressman Anthony of Kansas has been vice president. The only difference between them is that Cox's company handled furniture while Anthony's company handled overalls, but both sweated prison labor through the same diabolical system and with the same financial profits to themselves and the same starvation, torture and death to their hapless victims.

Is it any wonder that the Coxes, Anthonys and others of that moral type hate the APPEAL, denounce it as "vile," and go into convulsions of rage at the mere mention of its name? Is it not perfectly natural that the APPEAL should be under indictment by the political pals and judicial accessories of this gang, the Pollocks, Grosscupps, Hooks and Bones?

Is there any lingering doubt as to why Wayland, Warren and Phifer are to go to the penitentiary, the very hell-hole they have exposed to the world, and why the "vile sheet" they are editing is to be crushed beneath the weight of accumulated rottenness of the present administration?

Dual Distinction.

CONGRESSMAN ANTHONY! There he stands! Behold him you free American citizens who have cast your vote to make him your representative in congress while he was at the same time engaged in the moral crime of exploiting for his private profit the mentally deformed and morally deficient wards of the state and nation!

There is a distinction due to this congressman—the arch-enemy of the APPEAL who shoots his venom at it from a safe distance—that attaches to no other public man. He has flourished not only as the vice president of the Union Overall company, the murderer of convicts and the deadly enemy of all labor whose wages it has reduced to the convict level, but by virtue of being a United States congressman and getting in touch with the powers that be at the national capital he has also had the federal prison in his district, as well as the numerous state prisons, in his control.

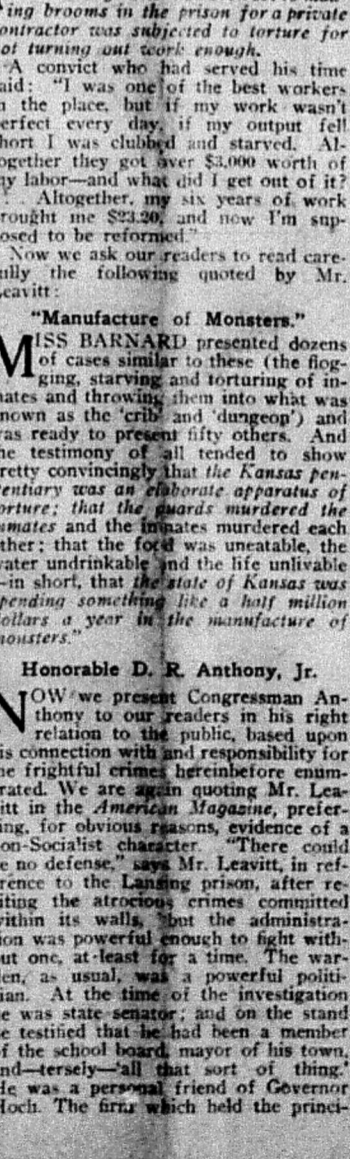
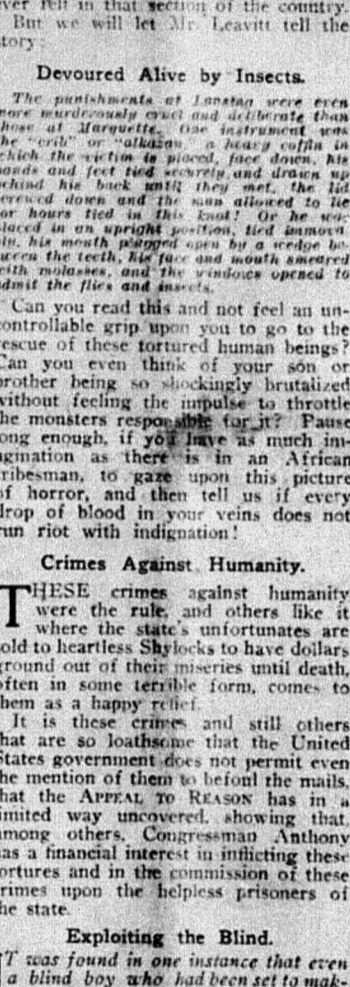
So that this congressman, given his complete stature, looms before us as an exploiter of both federal and state prisons, a distinguished gentleman who has waxed fat and respectable out of the misfortunes and woes of countless convicts.

The reciprocal relations between Mr. Anthony as politician, editor and exploiter of prison labor are apparent at a glance.

Congressman and Prison Sweater.

AS a congressman, a maker of laws, he protects his interests as a dealer in such vile sheets as the "Appeal to Treason" for daring to impugn his motives and to reflect upon the free institutions of our great country, of which he is one of the honored custodians.

Yes, readers, there he stands! That is Mr. Anthony, or pardon us he is the Honorable D. R. Anthony, Jr., vice



president of the Union Overall company and representative of the First Kansas district in the congress of the United States. The gentleman at his side, his right-hand man as it were, is F. H. Lemon, once deputy warden of the federal prison at Leavenworth, but removed from office, thanks to the "Appeal to Treason," for the commission of crimes against the prisoners, the mere mention of which is sufficient to bring down the indignation of the government in that same district, Mr. Lemon and Mr. Anthony have long been cronies. They mutually vouch for each and back each other. This being so it is easy to understand why Mr. Lemon was permitted to "retire" instead of doing time.

Group of Grafters.

THE gentleman at the left of Mr. Anthony is Judge Pollock, another chum, and the gentleman who completes the group is Harry Bone, the prosecutor, the man who according to himself runs the grand jury that finds the indictments against undesirable editors and newspapers. The man in the background is Judge Hook, recently denied a place on the supreme bench because he was "unit." The why will be told in detail in our special edition "The Federal Judiciary and the Underworld," on April 27th.

Is it not a noble array of public excrement? Looking through their eyes, is it in the least strange that the APPEAL is "a vile and slanderous sheet"? And that they have solemnly declared that its end is near and that it will "soon cease to exist"?

It may be possible that our readers do not yet fully appreciate this picture, but we venture to assure them that they will not be lacking in appreciation before the APPEAL gets through with them.

Anthony and Lemon.

IT should be noted at this point that Editor Anthony's ire was not aroused over the foul practices of his side partner, Lemon, which have made his name synonymous with moral leprosy, but only after the APPEAL exposed them did he fly into a rage and denounce this paper as a vile and anarchistic sheet.

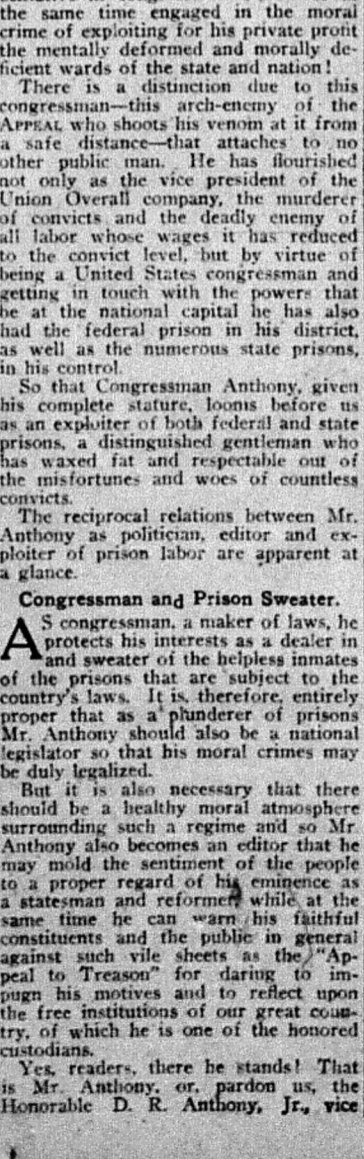
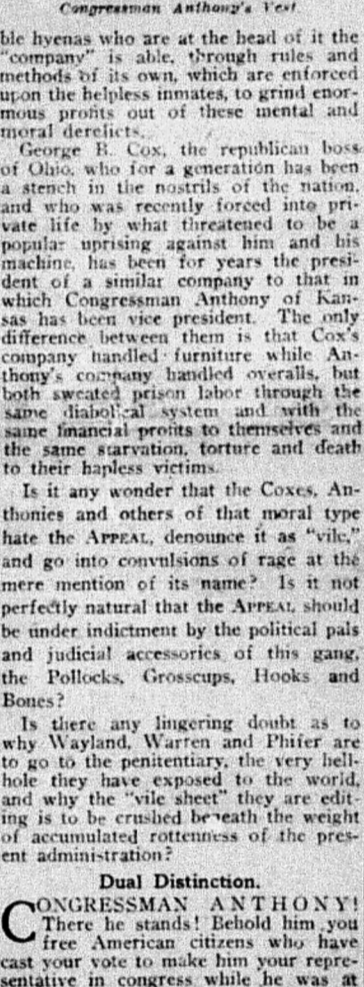
Two investigations made by the government proved Lemon's unspeakable leatherness in his official capacity as deputy warden, but the witnesses were discredited and punished, while Editor Anthony never batted an eye. He knew of the shocking practices that Lemon was forcing upon the helpless convicts at his mercy, but his fine moral scruples were not in the least disturbed.

The kind of a heart this gentleman carries about in his anatomy can be understood in a twinkling when the brutalities and horrors indicated by his own companion, Lemon, upon the prisoners at Leavenworth are taken into account, and to which this prison-sweating editor who moralizes the APPEAL was as insensible as if he had been made of stone.

Summing Up the Case.

NOW let us come directly to the point in summing up the case against Lemon, Anthony, Pollock, Hook and Bone and the entire gang who are persecuting the APPEAL and holding up and looting the public, and let us say that any man who would profit by the blood-covered dollars wrung from the misery and suffering and degradation of society's unfortunates, robbing the families of the inmates of the prison and causing widespread woe to the families of the free laborers on the outside who must compete with these prison products, is not a human at all. He is a beast with whom the jackals that violate the dead-would scarce associate.

He may froth and foam and raise the cry of treason, but that is no answer to this indictment. Not even Russia

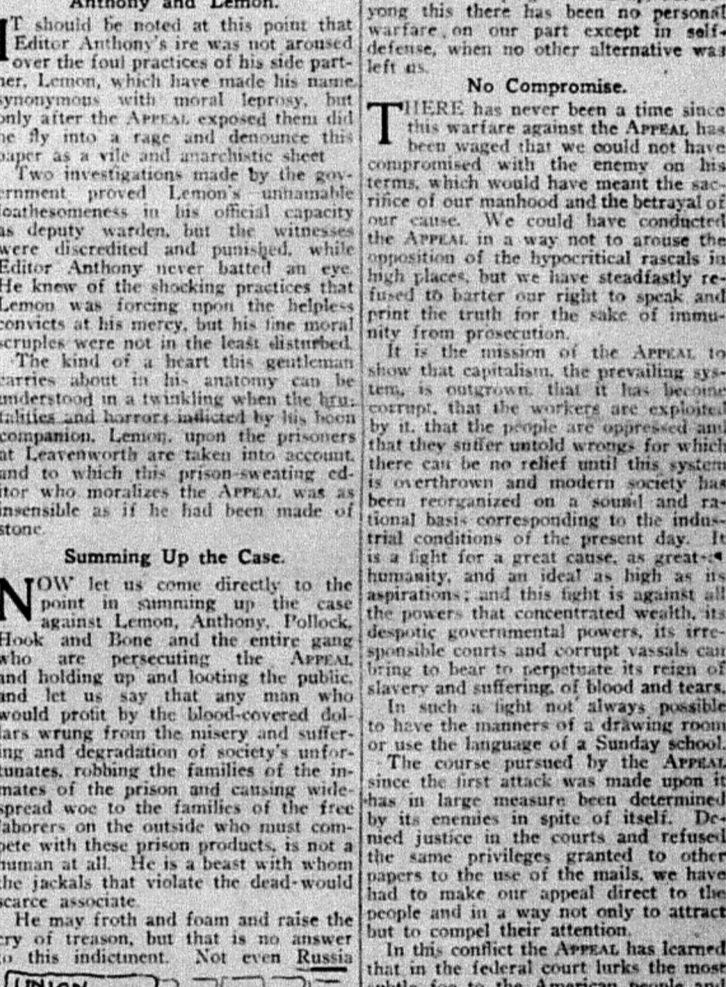


can furnish a parallel to the conditions herein described and which have existed with the full knowledge and entire approval of the convict-bleeding politician who represents the First district of Kansas in the national congress.

Shame on the people of the counties comprising that district! Is this indeed the best representative you have in the republican ranks? We refuse to believe it, but if it is, may God in His mercy have pity on you!

The APPEAL nor its editors have any interest in Mr. Anthony personally, having never seen, or known, or in fact, heard of him until this matter came up in which the APPEAL editors were to be made convicts for having attempted to rescue the convicts from the brutal clutches of Anthony and the shylocks associated with him.

The APPEAL is not after Anthony so far as he is personally concerned. He is entirely too small and not at all worth while. But it is the thing that Anthony represents and stands for, in which that Pollock incarnates on the bench and Bone at the prisoner's dock, and Lemon as a prison warden, that the APPEAL is fighting and between that thing and the APPEAL there can be no truce until one or the other is as dead as Egypt's mummies.



HERE is no member of our staff who would not prefer to conduct this side of the campaign which these powers are making against the APPEAL in a very different manner. We have no innate longing to expose human nature, nor the infirmities of it, have we any yearning for personal revenge and if we were free to choose our own methods of fighting, personal attacks upon our adversaries would be conspicuous in these columns by their absence, but our readers will bear testimony that the methods we have adopted have been forced upon us by our enemies and the only alternative left us is to fight as we have been doing or make an unconditional surrender.

In every situation such as that which now confronts it the APPEAL has been on the defensive. Its fight with Anthony, Pollock, Hook, Bone et al. has not been of its choosing. The APPEAL admits that it has had an active part in the Socialist propaganda, and that in the course of its work it has told some truths that were painful to some ears and exposed some conditions that gentlemen of supposed respectability were interested in keeping covered up, but beyond this there has been no personal warfare on our part except in self-defense, when no other alternative was left us.

No Compromise.

THERE has never been a time since this warfare against the APPEAL has been waged that we could not have compromised with the enemy on his terms, which would have meant the sacrifice of our manhood and the betrayal of our cause. We could have conducted the APPEAL in a way not to arouse the opposition of the hypocritical rascals in high places, but we have steadfastly refused to barter our right to speak and print the truth for the sake of immunity from prosecution.

It is the mission of the APPEAL to show that capitalism, the prevailing system, is outgrown, that it has become corrupt, that the workers are exploited by it, that the people are oppressed and that they suffer untold wrongs for which there can be no relief until this system is overthrown and modern society has been reorganized on a sound and rational basis corresponding to the industrial conditions of the present day. It is a fight for a great cause, as great as humanity, and an ideal as high as its aspirations; and this fight is against all the powers that concentrated wealth, its despotic governmental powers, its irresponsible courts and corrupt vassals can bring to bear to perpetuate its reign of slavery and suffering of blood and tears.

In such a light not always possible to have the manners of a drawing room or the language of a Sunday school. The course pursued by the APPEAL since the first attack was made upon it has in large measure been determined by its enemies in spite of itself. Denied justice in the courts and refused the same privileges granted to other papers to the use of the mails, we have had to make our appeal direct to the people and in a way not only to attract but to compel their attention.

In this conflict the APPEAL has learned that in the federal court lurks the most subtle foe to the American people and their liberties. Even if the people of a state do have the privilege of making the laws under which they shall live and rear their families, it is the federal judge who has the final word upon those laws.

Despotism of Courts.

IT is in the federal court where the workingman is always beaten and where the corporation is always victorious.

The one obstruction in the path of our educational propaganda and of the nation's progress is the federal court. It is the last remaining bulwark of decadent capitalism here in the United States and the American people, whether they will or not, will sooner or later be compelled to grapple with it. The APPEAL has long ago been forced to that conclusion and what it has so earnestly striven to impress upon the people they will know to their regret when perhaps the last vestige of their liberty has been destroyed.

The Issue at Stake.

THE whole issue of capitalism against Socialism, of despotism against democracy is wrapped up in this fight the federal court is making against the APPEAL to REASON. It is easy to see why this court, and those whose court it is, are anxious to brand this paper as the "Appeal to Treason." If the principles for which this paper stands and the arguments and appeals based upon these principles, are treated the plutocrats of this country and their retainers are welcome to make the most of it.

That irresponsible, autocratic institution known as the federal court, whose judges are named by corporate wealth, whose tenure of office is for life, who are above and beyond the reach of the people, whose power is subject only to the limitations placed upon it by themselves, that institution is of the very essence of despotism and the APPEAL to REASON has no apology to make for sounding the clarion call of revolt and appealing to the people to rise in unvanquishable numbers against the judicial tyranny that is strangling freedom in the United States.

One Half Sheet

Elmer Rheinhardt, Attica, Ind. "From a half sheet of the APPEAL found in the yard of a brick plant by the writer the paper has forged its way into many homes, built a local with twenty-five members, sent a delegate to the state convention at Indianapolis, invited a light into the homes of 400 laborers and voters, stirred up discussion favorable and otherwise with the best prospects of a solid Socialist victory in the city election. That is surely going some from a little, dirty, mud-splashed half sheet of the APPEAL 20 REASON found by the way side two years ago. It brought glad tidings to my life and to many others in Attica."

THE BRITISH COAL STRIKE.

For some days the cable dispatches have indicated a tremendous strike of coal miners in Great Britain and it has come and is now on in full blast. There are over a million of men working in and about the mines who are now out. The supply of coal on hand will not last to exceed three weeks. The railroads have already reduced the train service to economize their supply.

The French coal miners are about the same condition. Their English brothers and have wired them that in a few days they would also be out on strike. It is a strange development that the American coal miners, three quarters of a million in number, are also on the verge of going out. An international strike of coal miners would paralyze the industries of the world.

The British government evidently foresees the possibilities of this far-reaching strike and recognizes fully the gravity of the situation. Premier Asquith has assured the representatives of the miners that the government would do all in its power to assist them in securing a settlement. But the strike is a feature of the situation is that the miners are taking no chances depending on the government or any one else. They are determined in this instance to stand by themselves, fight their own battle and win out on the merits of their cause.

The central demand of the strikers is a minimum wage, a wage that at least will allow them to exist. Sixty per cent of the mine owners are ready to concede this but forty per cent still hold out and upon these Premier Asquith has served pre-emptory notice that he will not allow them to hold out against the miners and precipitate a general strike upon the country; that if they will grant this living concession the government will take steps to force it upon them to preserve the public peace and promote the common welfare.

This is the most significant step yet taken by any government in any strike on record. The government in this instance virtually assumes control of a great industry and under the protest of its private owners concedes the wage demands of the employees. This marks the real beginning of the end of the private ownership and control of industry, that is to say, the beginning of the end of capitalism.

Socialism is now in sight. May the miners win in Great Britain, France, the United States and all over the world!

Another Way. I can hardly agree with George T. Tappan of Urban, Calif., in his request to Attorney General Wickham to land Wayland, Warren and Phifer in the penitentiary in order to arouse the slumbering working class to their senses. It would have a wonderful effect, no doubt. But through the columns of the APPEAL they can do better work than when silenced in the federal prison. These men have done a noble and patriotic work in exposing the grafters and the vile practices in the Leavenworth prison. If the government did its duty it would reward them by the act instead of seeking to send them to prison. The fact that it tries to discourage exposure gives good ground for supposing there is more rottenness. NOAH J. FECKNER, Mahoning, Wash.

Let Adler Make The Organ. Justice and righteousness cannot prevail so long as we have a corrupt, enjoying wealth they did not earn and toiling not. Put them to work for the benefit of mankind. It is getting to the point where people realize that a social conscience is needed, and a general awakening is needed. Bishop D. D. Williams.

"Evolution not revolution will be the saving of the country. No better evidence of this could be asked than the attitude of the very representatives of vast aggregations of capital, who are today predicting revolution." Representative George W. Nibris.

COURT SUSTAINS THE APPEAL. Readers of the APPEAL are familiar with the long prosecution of the editor of this paper on the charge of using scurrilous, incendiary and defamatory language and how the justice department ruled that the portion of the "cover" folded out side constituted the "cover" thereof. The whole matter has just been decided according to the contention of the APPEAL by Attorney General Wickham. This appears from a press dispatch printed in the Denver Times of January 17, as follows:

"Colorado newspapers may print defamatory attacks against private citizens on their front pages without fear of molestation from the federal authorities, if they so desire, according to a decision received yesterday by the States District Attorney Thomas Ward from Attorney General Wickham."

Federal postal inspectors had offered several Denver newspapers for the consideration of the last grand jury, alleging that articles contained on their front pages were in violation of section 212 of the criminal statutes. This section holds that defamatory matter printed on the outside of a newspaper envelope or postal card is transmitted through the mails is a crime.

The newspapers involved folded some of the papers in such a way as to bring the defamatory matter on the outside. Mr. Ward contended that the outside of a newspaper was not its cover, and therefore, not in violation of the law. The attorney general upholds this view.

This same attorney general is now prosecuting three APPEAL editors on the charge of sending obscene matter through the mails. But just as five years has sufficed to arouse the whole nation to demand the right of judicial recall and bring him to the position held by the APPEAL at that time, so he and others will finally come to the present attitude of the paper. The usurped power of the courts must go.

Police of Portland, Ore., showed their sympathy with the jobless by escorting 50 penniless workers to the city limits and telling them to move on.

Askings About Socialism

How would it be possible to build competing lines of railroad, in case the present systems demand exorbitant pay from the public wishing to purchase them and to compete them out of existence? The public does business for service and not for profits. There is no attempt to make profits off the public school, the postal department or the dirt roads. If new railroads were built and carried freight and passengers at two-thirds the present rates, the old roads, that must have profits or quit business, would very soon succumb, and besides, the two-thirds rates would provide a sinking fund that within a comparatively few years would pay for building the roads, leaving them free to the people.

Will there be fire insurance companies under Socialism? No. The public, acting through its government, will take care of fire losses. This may be done by providing a fund for the purpose and paying all losses except where there is incendiaryism, without payment of premiums, so that all people would be insured at all times. It might be provided for by the building department of the government erecting houses and cities to architectural designs, reaping to all families and individuals at prices to cover cost of maintenance and construction. In that case, the losses would all naturally be on the whole people, and would not seriously cripple any family. Just what plan would be adopted would depend on the will of the people. Perhaps both plans would be tried in different localities. But one thing is sure—that costly idea of "insurance" would pass away in actual insurance at cost, which can come only through collective handling of the matter.

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The Appeal Post, License 23 Misfortune Pays. I wish they would line me some twenty-nine millions, and let me manage them. How soon would my fortune run down to nothing, and even then, I am sure would pay! Our golden-eyed rulers hold land and the ocean, they corner the grain and the hay; they pop up the price when they're seized with the notion, and ever misfortune must pay. The panic comes round and they rake in our savings, and soon they will everything away; but then will the world be coveting and caving, and then their misfortune will pay.—C. L. P.

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Den of Depravity

The Leavenworth federal prison has to some extent been purged of its moral leprosy. The conditions that prevailed there cannot be printed in fitting terms. The brutalities and debasements inflicted upon unfortunate prisoners in that hell of horrors can never be described.

These crimes which are of such enormity as to be unprintable were inflicted upon the helpless inmates by high officials who were paid large salaries to watch over them in the very climax of human infamy and the fact that the people are the owners of this institution, foot its bills, and are morally as well as legally responsible for it, brings this shocking case home to the heart of every American citizen.

Now bear in mind that it had not been for the APPEAL to Reason the hideous practices which forbid naming would have remained undisturbed in the Leavenworth inferno.

Hear in mind again that the criminal officials who perpetrated these outrages were permitted to resign as a result of the APPEAL's exposures and that they were not indicted or prosecuted.

Only the APPEAL to Reason is to be punished and its editors put in felons' cells for the crime of exposing these criminals and putting an end to their shocking atrocities.

Can you beat it? Is it not unbelievable? And this in the great American republic?

Even if you are the rankest republican or the most rock-ribbed democrat, tell us candidly, as between man and man, what you think of it!

If you happen to be so unfortunate as to have a son or brother or daughter in that Leavenworth den of depravity, in your heart you will thank the APPEAL, even if its editors are convicted felons.

If the penalty for rescuing the unfortunate and helpless from the clutches of inhuman monsters is imprisonment, the APPEAL staff will serve their sentence without the shadow of regret.

PITNEY QUALIFIED.

Mahlon Pitney, who has been chosen to fill the vacancy on the supreme bench by President Taft, is duly qualified. His record shows him to be a faithful guardian of property rights against human rights and therefore fitted for the office to which President Taft has appointed him.

Marlen E. Pew, the well known correspondent who can be relied upon for accurate information from the point of view of the common people, has made a personal investigation of Pitney's record. He finds that in his personal life Pitney is clean and to this extent he is to be commended and the APPEAL gives him full credit.

But judicially he is as objectionable to the working class as Hook or Nagel could possibly have been. His father, Henry C. Pitney, was a judge before him and was notorious as a judicial enemy of organized labor.

In a case of the Glass Blowers which came before him Mahlon Pitney rendered a decision forbidding picketing and outlawing the strike, one of the most sweeping decisions ever issued against labor unions. Detail is unnecessary. Pitney is the choice of the plutocrats or he would not have been appointed and that is all there is to it.

THE MONEY TRUST.

In discussing whether or not there is a money trust, the Wall Street Journal, right on the grounds, shows that the Rockefeller group of banks has deposits amounting to \$1,109,281,000, and the Morgan group \$1,983,256,800, and the two groups co-operate. The Journal adds: "To these two groups, in making up a compilation of the banking power of this city, could be added the total assets of all the other banks. They all work together for mutual protection." The funny part of this is, the two groups of banks have a combined deposit of \$3,102,537,800, while the World Almanac, published in New York, gives as the total money in circulation \$3,648,827,681. This is only \$546,000,000 more than the two banks are supposed to have securely locked up in their coffers. It proves a complete domination of the money of the country by two men, and also that under this system there is absolutely no security for any depositor—for it must be evident that the two groups of banks, though getting interest on their full deposits, and at the same time nearly doubling the nominal wealth by issuing personal notes, (asset currency) unsecured for what they do not have, cannot have in their vaults the bulk of the money of the nation. The "best money system on earth" is a most stupendous robbery, and absolutely dangerous to the welfare of the country.

THE ETERNAL QUESTION.

There are at all time one hundred thousand men in Chicago who want employment, but can't find it. This is part of the official report of the free employment commission of Illinois filed at Springfield. And in the face of this the republican party asks the workmen to support its candidates this year. And the democrats, whose record, while in power, shows 200,000 men in Chicago out of employment, will also ask the workmen for his vote. Why don't you working guys vote just once for Socialism? If that doesn't give you a job after three administrations, the Socialists will make the nerve to ask you for your vote again.

EASY LESSONS IN SOCIALISM.

About practicability. If Socialism were established and we found that under its operation thousands were driven to suicide, if we found a large portion of the population living in ignorance, squalor and dirt; if we found women driven to prostitution, if we found children being driven to work when they should be in school, if we found dens of vice where the innocent were entrapped and murdered, if we found that officers were bribed, if we found that workmen were shot down like dogs because they asked for enough to eat—I say, if we found these things, would you not at once consider Socialism impracticable?

practicable and decide that it should be abolished? Most assuredly. Well, do we not find these things present with us under the system of competition and private capital today? And are they not the result of the present system? We know this system produces these things. We do not know that Socialism will produce them for Socialism has not been tried. If your argument would be valid in the case of Socialism, and it would be, why is it not valid against the present system? If the effects of the present are practical, please let us try something impracticable for a while and see how it goes. It could not be worse.

The APPEAL is rather proud of the fact that it is the only Socialist paper in the world that has been established and successfully conducted without receiving a subsidy from the Socialist party, or accepting a donation or gift of money from any individual. The APPEAL has given out 25 cents worth of literature for every 25 cents received—as near actual value in white paper, postage and labor as it is possible to do. The APPEAL has been conducted according to the rules laid down by the successful capitalists—that's why there have been at times criticism—and just so—of its methods. But its main purpose has never been lost sight of: To furnish a paper suitable for propaganda purposes at as low a price as is consistent with "sound business rules." The APPEAL hates business and despises the game which it is forced to play in order to live without being the recipient of donations and gifts. The APPEAL is confidently expecting the time when business, with its hypocrisy, deceit and snobbery, will have disappeared, and in its stead frankness, honesty and comradeship will be the rules of life.

Proposed Catholic Censorship

Extension, organ of the catholic church extension society, makes a significant suggestion in discussing the Menace of Aurora, Mo., and APPEAL to Reason, saying, among other things: "No paper or magazine could live if excluded from second class mailing privileges. Such privileges are granted very generally. The Menace has them, as also has the APPEAL to Reason. One test, in the examination of such privileges, has been forgotten in making up the list of questions. It is the proposed paper's ability to pay damages. A partial remedy for this is easily found. Simply ask all publishers who apply for second class mailing privileges what their financial responsibility is, expressed in cold cash; make them put up acceptable bonds to guarantee the public that there is at least a court of justice standing between the private citizen and pens dipped in filth. It may make fewer papers of course; but we have too many papers of the wrong kind now. After this, perhaps some association might investigate and see if a few of these chronic offenders have enough tangible assets to make such a suit interesting. The Federation has a field here."

The suggestion means simply to forbid any but the rich the right to publish papers. That would mean that only such as favored the present system could get a hearing. It is censorship of the most virulent kind. No law would be required to accomplish this result. The postmaster general could simply make a ruling to that effect and there you are. In the second place it is suggested that wherever a paper has financial ability it shall be tried as to its right to hold such mailing privileges, under the Church Federation of the catholic church, on the charge of "slandering the church, her clergy or her teachings."

But how about the priests that go about the country slandering Socialism and Socialists, in declaring that Socialism is opposed to religion, would destroy the home and other absolute falsehoods that have been refuted thousands of times? Are the workers to be denied a press of protest, while the champions of the toilers may be maligned without hindrance?

THE DISAPPEARING MARKET.

Exports 1905 1911
Japan \$ 51,000,000 \$36,000,000
Chinese empire 53,000,000 19,000,000
Total \$104,000,000 \$55,000,000
The above figures showing exports of merchandise from this country to Japan and China are eloquent with meaning. The orient for years has been one of Uncle Sam's best customers. The Japs awakened from their long sleep, and emerged from feudalism ready for the new order; and now China—has likewise wakened up. With European and American brains to direct the use of modern machinery, manured by labor as skillful as that of other countries that comes to a formidable competitor of the world. Not only have American exports to these countries declined, but Japan is now giving us a hot tussle in the markets of South America and Europe.

American and European capital will reap its share of the profits by transferring their workshops to China and Japan. The workers of America will be left at home to walk the streets looking for jobs. When they get wise they will open the mills and the mines and operate them for the benefit of their wives and children.

SOCIALIZED THINGS.

The postoffice is socialistic.
The public school system is socialistic.
The public roads are socialistic.
The public streets are socialistic.
The public sewers are socialistic.
The court house is socialistic.
The state house is socialistic.
The libraries are socialistic.
The express company is not socialistic.
The railroads are not socialistic.
The toll pike is not socialistic.
The coal business is not socialistic.
The oil business is not socialistic.
The meat business is not socialistic.
The sugar business is not socialistic.
The banking business is not socialistic.

The ballot has no gender.

Love always works at starvation wages.

WHAT will you have—Socialism or nothing?

For every dollar given the worker there is a hundred dollars got out of his hide.

The republican campaign will probably be fought on the issue of a full boodle bag.

Now that Roosevelt's hat is in the ring, what will he do for something to talk through?

When the worker gets a hurry in the head, he will not have to get such a hurry in the heels.

Perhaps Roosevelt will proceed to recall the supreme court's decision relative to the income tax and kidnaping. What?

Who will be the next president? Morgan, of course. It is his hats that all the capitalist candidates have shed into the ring.

You Roosevelt booster: Name a single official act of Theodore Roosevelt that has lightened the burden of the poor of this nation!

It isn't the cost of living that hurts; it's the price of living. If what we use would cost less, as it should be, it would be cheap enough.

The joker attached to capitalist court decisions is a laughing matter only to the masters, and may not be for them when the last laugh comes in.

If capitalism is alarmed at the initiative, referendum and recall, picture its error when we begin to do things with these things that are only tools.

You can't save the country with promises, but that will not keep those now in power from making promises as to what they will do when they get power once more.

SOMEONE has said that the greatest capitalist is nature. A mistake. Nature is a worker, and is exploited. She sells no stock, and collects no dividends from the people.

The Ananias club has a new member, a mysterious stranger who approaches with the words: "Under no circumstances will I be a candidate," and "I will accept."

The new presidential candidate is clothed all in armor of steel furnished by the steel trust. The breastplate is the Tennessee Coal and Iron steel, and the corslet is the Alton steel.

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How the Arsenal Grows.

All good things are a growth. The best things are the result of many minds growing and working together. That is the way the Arsenal of Facts came into being.

For years questions concerning Socialism and the facts that would help the workers fight for Socialism had been coming into the Arsenal of Facts. They were too frequently repeated and too numerous for reply in the columns of the APPEAL itself. It became evident that there was a great demand for a compilation of these questions and their answers.

When we received the matter was carefully looked up and if we were unable to find the desired information in our library, it was sent to some one who was in a position to give the data wanted.

This was the birth of the idea of the Arsenal. Then for a couple of years Comrade Warren set about gathering out just what he would put into the book. The answers to the thousands of inquiries received gave him the beginning. Then he asked the half million readers of the APPEAL what they would like in such a book, and nearly every member of the APPEAL Army responded, either giving some "fact" or asking a question that would make the data necessary. Of course, hundreds of the questions were duplicated, but this only went to show just what was needed in this little book.

The best libraries were searched to get the information desired and finally the Arsenal appeared about three years ago.

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"We progressives"—Roosevelt and Lodge, successors to Aldrich. It is to laugh!

Four years ago Roosevelt did not believe in a presidential primary—not least not out loud.

Who gave the supreme court the power to pass on the constitutionality of laws enacted by the people?

CANDIDATE WILSON says business is on a false footing. That is right. It is always tramping on somebody's toes.

A JUDICIAL autocracy, which of all forms of corrupt government, would obviously be the most tyrannical—Mira-bean.

In all his long official career what has Theodore Roosevelt done to lighten the load of the working man, the working woman, and the working child?

EVEN the captains of industry trust in the people. That is why they organize the trusts. If they had doubts as to the ability of the people to make dividends for them, they would quit.

The supreme court in the Oregon case announced the principle that the people have the right, through the initiative and referendum, to make and unmake laws; but that the people do not have the right to tax the profits of the corporations.

In his career as police commissioner, governor, vice-president and president, what single official act has Theodore Roosevelt performed that has served to lighten the burden on the shoulders of the working men, women and children of this country?

FRANKLY, Mr. Republican, your party has made a very bad mess of affairs in Washington and you are trying to unload the blame on Taft. You are turning to Roosevelt, the man who has dug the hole into which you have all fallen, in the vain hope that he can pull you back into popular favor. Too late, thank God, too late!

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