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John M. Work's latest book, "The Key to the Mystery," seems to be just the ammunition the Appeal comrades have been looking for—words of praise for it, backed by a flood of orders, are coming with every mail.

THE BIGGER HOUSE. J. A. Wayland, in Appeal, 1900. Suppose you take two large office buildings, just alike, side by side. Place the rent on each at \$100,000 a year, supplied with heat, light, elevator and janitor service.

with up-lifted eyes, a man who dreamed a dream not for himself but for his wife and children. And the dream was that his wife should have the necessities of life with some of the luxuries, that his boys should have an education and if possible be able to know and have a few of the good things that seemed to fall so readily to the share of a privileged few.

How Humanity Grows. Man was proud before he was kind; he was chivalrous before he was decent; he was tattooed before he was washed; he was painted before he was clothed; he built temples before he built a home; he sacrificed to his gods before he helped his neighbor; he was heroic before he was self-denying; he was devout before he was charitable.

Oh, Ye That Oppress! There shall be those that oppress and rob me; and for them I shall seek mercy from my father that is in heaven. There shall be those that oppress and rob others in my name, and for them I shall seek no mercy from my father that is in heaven.

Interest Under Socialism. The Appeal says that there will be no interest taking under Socialism. I do not think it will be possible for Socialism to own and operate all the one-man industries, and I do not believe the government can loan money to anyone without interest.

Who's Had the Meat? Cotton's Weekly. A story is told of a rich woman addressing an assemblage of British working women on the subject of thrift. She rebuked the wives of workmen for their thriftlessness and told them what excellent soup could be made out of mutton-bones.

Alabama's Fame. Teacher—The lesson today is about Alabama, who knows for what this state is particularly noted? Willie—I do. Teacher—Well, for what is it noted, Willie? Willie—For keeping its factories full of kids and its schools empty.

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THE "BIG TEN." A list of those sending the largest clubs of 40-week subs for the week: F. C. Church, Ohio, 50; H. T. Auckerman, Michigan, 42; J. W. Spray, Arizona, 29; H. L. Gerhold, Illinois, 25; Chas. H. Hans, Indiana, 23; Daniel Walter, North Dakota, 20; David MacDonald, Oregon, 20; R. E. Waters, Louisiana, 19.

THE "BIG FOUR." A list of those sending the largest clubs of four-year subs for the week: F. Card, Indiana, 25; L. J. Houser, California, 6; J. S. Schneider, Idaho, 6; E. H. Silver, Tennessee, 6.

Religion and Socialism. Wilhelm Liebknecht. You know how the social democracy is represented as a red specter, how the ecclesiastical associations say of us that we are a party of atheists, and that the social democracy would forcibly take religion from everyone and violently crush the church.

Then What? Harper's Weekly. Aristotle, who defended slavery as a necessity, said that if every instrument would work by itself, if the shuttle would weave alone, the manufacturer would dispense with workmen and the master with slaves.

What Tuberculosis is. John B. Huber. It is neither a hereditary nor a family disease, but a house disease, contracted chiefly in unhealthy tenements and workshops. It is a disease of the poor, of the submerged, of a disease developed in sunlessness, cold, starvation, misery, in the overworked, exhausted, anxious body, in the body devitalized by previous diseases, of which alcoholism is pre-eminent.

The Agitator's Combination. 10 Socialist Handbooks No. 2, \$1.00; 10 Socialist Primer No. 1, \$1.00; 10 Appeal to Reason and 6-Hour Day, \$1.00; 10 Appeal's Answers to Questions, \$1.00; 10 The Road to Socialism, \$1.00; 10 The Thieves' Book, \$1.00; 10 The Ginger Jar, \$1.00; 10 The Key to the Mystery, \$1.00; 10 Appeal subscription cards, \$1.00; 10 Arsenal of Facts for 1914, \$1.00.

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a fear that I could not make it "go" but was agreeably surprised to find that January totaled up nearly twice as much as I had pledged. However, I am not going to "let down," but shall see if I can't beat it for this month.—V. D. Eddy, Florida.

—I am secretary of the Aberdeen Socialist Sunday school. A friend has sent me a copy of a primer of Socialism for children that it is the best of the kind I have ever seen. It is "The Socialist Primer," by Nicholas Klein, and illustrated by Ryan Walker.

—I have thought several times that I would write and comment you upon the great change in the Appeal for the better. I could never enjoy reading it as much as I should have while it was still had the small type. But now! Every line is easy to read and it looks so much better.

—I do not believe any sensible man can read the Appeal for forty weeks and not get sick at his stomach when he tried to vote a demo. rep. ticket.—John J. Kennick, Illinois.

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—I am for confiscation, all right, but I've got it figured out that about everything will have been already confiscated by the government by the time Socialists get into full power.—J. W. Oklahoma, There will still be the government bonds left.

—I joined the Red Card Division with



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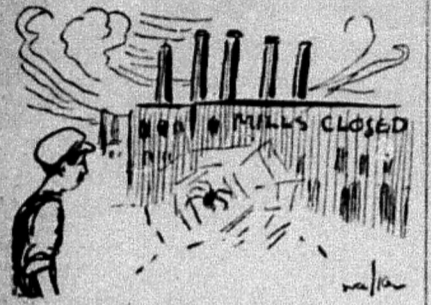
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Investigate the Single Tax. The Single Tax. What It Is—George. The Single Tax and the Single Tax. Single Tax. Single Tax.

T. A. O. U.

The Army of the Unemployed now numbers, according to the very best estimates obtainable, more than 3,000,000 men and women. A little incident that occurred in Oregon will serve to illustrate the desperation of the members of this great army.

How many out of 100 men can you employ on road work? Men will work for board and lodging, giving therefore a full day's work. Judge McKnight replied that on account of the physical condition of the roads these men could not be employed in Malheur county.



women will be forced to endure suffering and hardships more terrible than that through which they are now passing. We can save them from becoming criminals by forcing city, state and nation to give them work.

HELP! HELP! HELP!

The following cry of distress was emitted by the Girard Press, republican. It tells the story of what the Socialists have been doing to the democrats and republicans.

At last advice there were three petitions out for candidates for mayor, A. Burns, W. O. Colburn and John Viets. Without indicating a choice the Press wishes to express the opinion that this is at least two too many.

SENATOR BORAH, SAGEBRUSH SOLO. Senator Borah, the sage-brush Solon from Idaho wilds, is concededly one of the cleverest cusses in congress.

Jobs For Everybody

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kan. For the enclosed \$... send copies of Appeal's Special Unemployed edition, No. 965, dated March 7th.

ment. He stopped under a convenient electric light, and wrote the thing briefly on a piece of paper which he found in his coat pocket, so he wouldn't forget it, and the next day he carefully and enthusiastically unfolded his scheme in senatorial session assembled.

Select a lot of nice, new, double-action, standard-made financial freebooters and distribute them proportionately among the prisons of the country. Freebooters found to be connected with the celebrated New Haven railroad swindle particularly preferred.

Senators should favor the arrangement as it would, by making them appear to be engaged in a truceless tilt with the cohorts of organized graft, save their skins from countless cussings by disgruntled constituents.

"EVERYBODY'S DOIN' IT."

"Co-operation is not a sentiment—it is an economic necessity," says a writer in a Kansas daily.

You bet your last year's overcoat. That's precisely the position taken by the Socialists. That's the identical line of logic we Socialists have been slipping to you in slug doses for decades.

We have been dubbed as dreamers and derided as demagogues in the past for advocating the above principle, but events are swiftly proving the correctness of our contention.

Yes, sir, brother. You bet your chance of becoming president that evolution is an economic necessity.

HOW LONG WILL YOU BE A SOCIALIST? This question is put to you in order to find out whether you think it would be safe for you to subscribe for the APPEAL for four years.

A CHICAGO man has been sentenced by the municipal court to remain in idleness, because work exercises a demoralizing influence over him.

SIR WILLIAM RAMSAY says the unfit should be left to die. As one who will leave his own kind to starve is unfit to live, where does Sir William get off at?

"Incommunicado"

BY ADOLPH GERNER.

[This is Gerner's own story of his recent incarceration in a filthy jail in Colorado. It was written especially for the Appeal.]

OFTEN have I read about prisoners being held in solitary confinement, but attached very little importance to this practice of holding alleged offenders. But, thanks to the utter disregard for law by Governor Amos of Colorado and his military understrappers, Major Townsend, and others, I was given perhaps, a much needed lesson in the skill with which those clothed with authority produce real criminals.

I have served the United Mine Workers of America in the Colorado strike district for more than a year and did not fail to tell the truth about the coal barons and their hirelings—the sheriffs of Las Animas and Huerfano counties.

When the strike came on, September 23, 1913, and finally the militia came into the district to perpetrate their dastardly outrages upon the strikers and the families, I did not withhold comment and all seemingly to the displeasure of the powers that be.

I left Walsenburg for Denver and on my way was told that I would be arrested if I returned. On my return, I was met at the station by the military and placed under arrest. I was taken to a cell in the Huerfano county jail, where I was held incommunicado for a period of nine days.

Only Two Meals a Day.

The cell in which I was held was 7x12 feet. It had one window, but this was barred with an iron door so that I could not look out into the open. In the cell were two prison cots, a wash basin, a radiator and an open toilet.

As I have said, the light from the only window in the cell was shut off by and iron door. The door leading into the office of the jail was always closed so that all I could see were the four walls within which I was held.

In the Grasp of the Enemy.

The only sound that I could hear was the clashing of the heavy iron jail doors and the turning of the massive key. Sounds of these conveyed the fact that I was in the hands of and at the mercy of my enemies.

In addition to this, I was confronted with prisoners for the purpose of identification intending thereby to connect me with some crime. No explanation was offered and I wondered what it could all mean, for I knew that I was not guilty of crime nor criminal intent.

When I was reflecting over all this, I could hear the clicking of the locks and the clanking of the cell doors.

On the ninth day, I was taken before

the military commission and told "There is no charge against you; you are not on trial; you have been held only for investigation." And this in the United States under the blessed reign of the "New Freedom"!

CONFISCATION NOTES.

Three million workmen have had their jobs confiscated by capitalism.

In Alabama the lives of little children are being daily confiscated in the cotton mills.

At Memphis the president of the Mercantile bank confiscated a million dollars of the depositors' money.

According to reports from Mexico General Villa is busy confiscating the property of wealthy Mexican citizens.

Cleveland, Ohio, is threatening to confiscate six and a half millions of the savings (?) of a lifetime of one John D. Rockefeller.

Arsenal of Facts For 1914

I need not tell you the value of the "Arsenal." You already know its value; you probably have a 1913 ARSENAL in your pocket right now.

It has been carefully revised. Contains 10 more pages—200 in all. Has the latest census figures. Contains facts and figures on 100 new subjects.

It is Now Bullet Proof.

It is one book that money cannot buy. It's not for sale. You get it free for 12 twenty-five-cent subscriptions to the little old Appeal, or the purchase of 12 twenty-five-cent subscription cards, or for three four-year subscribers.

THE reason that you lack is the master's on your back.

AFTER all, there ought to be room at the top. Such a few reach it.

"DEAD politician," reads a headline in the daily press. Who knows of any other kind?

THE reason capitalism is not going to endure forever is because the workers won't endure it forever.

THAT bank was not far wrong when it advertised: "We make the interest of our depositors our interest."

IT is declared that in the beginning God said, Let there be light. It was John D. who put a meter on it.

A READER wants to know why traveling facilities are so bad. The answer is apparent. The railroads are under water.

GIVING away the canary bird to cut down household expenses is the latest suggestion for meeting the high cost of living.

He who'd steal and get away Must first steal votes—the rest is play.

IT is easy enough to make money on the farm. Getting it so long as the markets are controlled by the few is the rub.

IT is interesting to reflect that the very vices which proclaim the man in overalls a "rounder" distinguish the man in broadcloth as a "gentleman."

THERE are a million automobiles in America. This is an auto for every fifteen families. There are precious few working class families that have autos.

THE master class is extreme. It resorts to forcible starvation on the one hand and forcible feeding on the other in order to break the spirit of the rebel workers.

THE farm is capitalized, but not by the farmers. The plutocrats who issue stocks against the earning power of the country hold the stock issue against your farm.

WHEN you learn more you will earn more. Whether you get more will depend on whether you have learned enough to see that it can come only through social action.

A PROMINENT daily suggests that the prisoners in the penal institutions of the country be allowed to reform themselves. Certainly. And why not allow them to reform some of the officials of the said institutions as well.

Boytown Railroad. Best story Warren ever wrote. Great propaganda. 200 copies of this and 800 copies of our other leaflets, assorted, all for \$1.

Appeal's Answers to Questions

No Bonds Needed.

Does not "immediate acquirement" of all grain elevators, stock yards, storage warehouses, etc., imply a tremendous increase in bonds?

Not necessarily. If the government should first adopt a government monopoly of money and banking, as the Socialist Party advocates, all money deposited with the government, within a safe banking margin, would be available for purchase of these things.

"Government" and "Collective."

Explain the difference between government ownership and collective ownership.

In the first the title is vested in the government. If the government happens to be a monarchy, it means a form of private ownership; and there is always a possibility of a republic or democracy being for a time overthrown, so that government ownership might lead to monopoly and oppression.

Surplus Under Socialism.

Will there be a surplus accumulated under Socialism? If so, what will be done with it?

If each worker is paid the full social value of his labor, it will mean that the product will belong to the whole people until such time as individuals make demand for the portion they have earned.

Answers to Press Criticism

'Not Against Private Property.

Socialists say that private possession is public robbery.

Socialists say nothing of the kind. Private possession on the part of those who do not produce may be proof of robbery of those who do, but on the other hand, lack of private possession on the part of such as do produce is equal proof of robbery. Socialists want to stop the robbery and have each producer receive all that his labor has created.

No New Party Needed.

What we need is a party taking in the industrial features of Socialism, but leaving out the Socialist ideas on religion and marriage.

Socialism considers only industrial features, and only through persistent lying have some been convinced against facts that the movement has ever made any statement relative to religion and marriage further than that the party had nothing to do with either. The scheme is an old one and has been worked for centuries.

The State and the Home.

The state and not the father rules the home, says the Socialists.

It is an evident fact that the state today does "rule the home" as it does all other things, in that it forbids abuse of the child, compels it to attend school and enforces certain sanitary laws. Under Socialism the state might protect the home and see that the wife and child had opportunity, but nowhere has it been declared that the state should assume the functions of parenthood.

Capitalism's Invisible Army.

Shortly after the Colorado articles now running in the APPEAL will have concluded, John Kenneth Turner's notable series on "Capitalism's Invisible Army" will begin in these columns. This series will show how capitalism maintains its rule of ruin through a private army of thugs, cutthroats and murderers.

Total number of subs Feb. 7... 560,210 New subs week ending Feb. 14... 18,612 Expiring subs same week... 9,738 Net gain for the week... 8,874 Total number of subscriptions for week ending February 14, 1914:

512,114

BULLY! Another gain. That's the stuff. Let her rip. There is no limit to our ambition. There is no circulation figure that will make us content.

BACK of all human actions there is always a reason if one cares to look for it. It is becoming harder every day for the small get-rich-quick schemers to put over their schemes.

The Benson Combination.

You probably know quite a number of voters in your locality who are suffering from capitalist-press poisoning. What they really need is 40 shots of the little old Appeal mixed with the following pills.

Assisting the Appeal Army.

Judge Alston Dayton of the northern district of West Virginia has joined hands with the Appeal comrades in carrying that state for Socialism by sentencing two miners to 60 days in jail for belonging to a union which "interferes with property rights."

A Government Investigation.

The United States government through congressional action is investigating the Calumet and the strike in Colorado coal fields. Every reader of the Appeal has been reading the last few days of these investigations, but what comes of investigations like this?

Discovered! Henry Dubb is Caught in the Act of Blowing in His Munificent Salary on Champagne!

By Ryan Walker

