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United States Discharges the Scarlet Army

Washington, Jan., 31.—Its tawdry tinsel bared by the searchlight of the law; its raucous pianos stilled and its inmates in a panic of fear the national capital's red light today was on the move.

Three hundred unfortunates of the underworld, many destitute even of street clothing, knew the moment President Wilson signed the Keagon "red light" law, police would begin ejecting the residents of the vice district. Forty or more houses closed today, throwing nearly 100 girls onto the streets.

Despite the fact that philanthropic organizations have made a house to house canvass of the restricted district, proffering aid to inmates who desire to live "straight," the authorities fear an epidemic of suicides among inmates. Proprietresses of resorts threaten to remove to residential sections.

Stanley W. Finch, head of the department of justice "white slave" department, made apersonal canvass of the red light district today carrying with him offers of $8 a week jobs in Washington and nearby cities

Death threats were sent today to Senator Kenyon, author of the bill wiping out of existence the red light district. The letters were postmarked from Washington and are believe to have come from members of the segregated quarters.

ARE SOCIALISTS FREE LOVERS?

Tom McNeal says, in Mail and Breeze, "A subscriber writes me asking that I attack the Socialists because, as he says, they are anarchists; because they favor negro equality and are freelovers."

Mail and Breeze is called by many of its readers the great agricultural and moral guide. Tom McNeal is its editor. There is no doubt that McNeal will tell the truth about Socialism as he understands it. There is no doubt that he knows no whether Socialists are anarchists and free lovers, if such knowledge can be gained for Socialist publications and from the action of Socialist men and women. Here is what Tom McNeal says in reply to the Mail and Breeze subscriber, "The educated Socialist, and many Socialists are highly educated men, is the exact opposite of the anarchist. The anarchist is against the law. The consistent, educated Socialist believes in regulating nearly everything by law. Perhaps the strongest objection that can be made to the theory of Socialism is that it places too much dependence on law."

As to negro equality, Mr. McNeal agrees with Mr. Debs whom he quotes as saying "that a black man ought to have the same rights under the law as the white man." On the question of Socialists being freelovers Mr. McNeal says, "no doubt there are freelovers among the Socialists, but I can not see where the doctrine of freelove has any part in the Socialist philosophy. I can readily see where it would fit in with anarchy; for the anarchist would remove all legal restraint, but among the Socialists with whom I happen to be acquainted there are no freelovers as far as I know."

That ought to be sufficient to lay the freelove slander. Mr. McNeal say "no doubt there are freelovers among the Socialists." Mr. McNeal would say, too, no doubt, there are freelovers among the Republicans and Democrats. If by freelove Mr. McNeal means the holding of marriage vows lightly; a polygamous or promiscuous relationship between the sexes. The courts will here witness that Socialists are not as badly infected by freelove as the members of either of the old parties.

Germans are Financially Powerful

Nearly Half of All Savings in banks Belong to Working People

(Special to the Times-Star.)

Berlin, Jan. 27.—The German capitalists own artillery has been turned upon him by the Socialists. The money interests have been awakened by the first encounter to the realization that the Socialist resources are a factor in financial affairs. This awakening came recently, when, as reported by cable, the "free labor unions" which owe allegiance to the Socialists, decided to withdraw $5,000,000 in deposits from one of the big banking houses because it had discharged a bank clerk for joining in a movement for higher salaries. The sum was redeposited in banks willing to see that their employes' condition rights were respected.

The total funds of the unions are estimated at between $20,000,000 and $30,000,000. But even this sum is only a minor item in the capital accumulations of the workingmen. Their co-operative stores and buying societies represent a capital of about $46,000,000. Of the $1,200,000,000 accumulated in the reserves of the governmental insurance systems, about 45 per cent has been contributed by the workers, whose interest in private insurance funds is estimated at, well over $250,000,000. About half of the $4,500,000,000 deposited in savings banks in Germany belongs to the laboring classes. In all, persons of this class own, it is figured, between a seventh and an eighth of the total wealth of the country.

Two illustrations of the capitalistic aspect of the Socialist unions have lately aroused much comment. These were loans made by Socialist organizations to two municipalities, which were able to place bond issues with the Socialists to much better advantage than with the ordinary banks.

WILL MAKE UP-TO-DATE BURG OUT OF HOLY CITY

Jerusalem, Feb. 3.—French bankers have just obtained a concession to equip Jerusalem with electric lights and water works and to build a car line to Bethlehem.

TEACHING RELIGION.

Just now it is particularly necessary that we see the growing antagonism that is rising between the Catholic church and Socialism on the continent. This antagonism does not arise from any theological tenets of the Catholic church as a religious organization. The antagonism arises from its political organization. Take Belgium. Nearly a couple of months ago we referred to the attitude of the Catholics on the school question. Since then the Socialists and Liberals have been conducting a vigorous campaign against the attempt to substitute the Catholic "adaptable" schools to many times the extent of the communal schools under compulsory education. What this means can be judged from the following extract from the "Little Catechism of the Diocese of Namur": "Q.—Is there in our days an enemy more terrible still than the Liberals? A.—Yes; Socialism. Q.—What are the principles of Socialism? A.—The principles are: Neither God nor master, nor family, nor property, nor Paradise, nor hell. Q.—May any one support such an error? A.—No, never!" Here is direct anti-Socialist teaching taught in the Catholic schools. In Germany, several Socialist editors have been before the courts on account of their criticisms on the Catholic trade unions; and regarding their attitude at Dulsberg, where they were charged with helping a reactionary against Hue, the Socialist and Miners' candidate, the Catholic leader said that "if the candidates had been Herr Hue and the devil, they would have elected the devil."—London Justice.

Some time when you are aboard a street car with two or three hundred others cut a chunk of the foul air out and take it to the city bacteriologist.

"All governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Happiness in the political circuits of one's faculties is the purpose of human life. To secure this for all is the object of Socialism.

Socialists Denied Right of Speech

Macon, Ga.—When Edward Lindgren and Henry Berchovich, two Socialist speakers who are traveling with a covered wagon, arrived here, the mayor refused them permission to speak on the streets.

However, the refusal only brought a larger crowd to the court house, where they held a meeting instead.

The two agitators left Brooklyn May 8, 1912, and are going to travel south to Florida and then back to the southwest and over the Santa Fe trail to its end and then across the mountains to the Pacific coast. From there they expect to work north and back through the northern states to New York.

The local Socialists were aroused over the refusal of the mayor to permit a street meeting and propose to test his right to interfere with free speech.

Web Tightens in St. Paul Scandal

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 28.—With a lightly packed crowd listening to the sordid details of St. Paul's graftscandal, the trial of Martin J. Flanagan, former chief of police, and Detective Fred Turner continued here today with Willie Wolff, the state's principal witness, on the stand.

Wolff under course of cross-examination told details of the different times he had gone to Flanagan's private office, while the latter was chief of police and there arranged to export thousands of dollars from resort keepers.

The attempts of the defense attorney to break down Wolff's story of how the graft money was collected have failed so far. Wolff's story has had a visible effect upon the jury and all of his statements incriminated Flanagan and Turner. County Attorney O'Brien is confident the men will be found guilty.

Dotti Hazzard, who brought about the graft probe by "squealing" when she failed to receive protection after paying the ring $1,000, will probably take the stand.

WHAT A WEAPON IS THE BALLOT.

What a weapon is the ballot,
All our wrongs and ills to cure;
When oppression grows so heavy
That we can no more endure,
O what ills we often suffer;
O what injustice o'er us rolls,
All because we do not carry
Every burden to the polls.

Are you homeless, poor, and wandering,
Though you've toiled throughout the year?
Are your wife and children needy?
Is the future dark and drear
Has your labor naught relieved you?
Are there landlord's grasping tolls?
You should never be discouraged,
You can right it at the polls.

—M. A. S.

75 ARE KILLED WHEN PICTURE SHOW BURNS.

Amsterdm, Jon 31.—Fifty-eight children, 16 women and one man were killed in a moving picture theater fire in Surabaya, Java, according to cable dispatches from there. The fire was caused by an explosion of a film and the women and children were trampled in the panic to escape.

THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

Sofia, Bulgaria.—A striking illustration of the terrible human waste in war is furnished by the census just taken of the new Bulgarian territories acquired by conquest.

The male population of that portion of Macedonia alloted to Bulgaria was reduced from 170,000 to 52,500. In Bulgarian Thrace only 225,000 males remain out of a total before the war of 474,000; while in the district of Mustapha Pasha only 4,000 males are left out of 33,000, the total before the war.

SHE WO.

"Did Miss Kalstead get a runabout for Christmas?"

"Well, she married Chelly Fastbeigh on that day."—Judge.

A PRAYER.

Oh, heart of Man! Oh, heart of Man!
Oh, I beseech thee!
Throw off this stupor that is worse
than death.
Oh hear my prayer! My supplication!
Teach me,
That I may yet in freedom draw my
breath.
For ages long hast thou been sleeping, dreaming,
With mystery and magic, thou hast
played,
And lived forever in a world of seeming;
Only to see thy golden sunsets fade;
And darkness gather, in one long
eternal shade.

Oh, heart of Man! Oh, heart of
Man! In thee all power
Rests. And by thy giant strength
all things are done
Oh, heart of Man! Thou art the
rocky tower
Whence shines the beacon-brighter
than the sun.
In dead of night when darkness all
things clinging,
Wraps sea, and sky, and land, in
mystery,
'Tis thee, the precious torch of guidance bringing,
Who saves us from the perils of the
sea.
But Oh! not all! Not all! Dost thou
save. May it be.

Oh, heart of Man! Oh, heart of Man!
With all thy power,
Thou never yet hast even tried thy
strength.
Oh, heart of Man! Why dost thou
cringe and cower?
At some small serpent, of a cubit's
length?
When thou art Ruler of Eternity;
And Monarch of an undiscovered
world.
As giant ships upon a midnight sea;
As Niagara's catapults unhurled,
Thy awful strength lies dormant,
and thy flag unfurled.

Oh, heart of Man! Oh, heart of Man!
Oh hear my prayer!
My only God, I beg from thee a
boon.
Lo! I see a green and fruitful valley fair,
The air is quiet with the peaceful
hush of noon.
With orchard scent the tranquil air
is laden;
And all things, yea, the very rocks,
are free.
The heart of Man, the heart of Youth
and Maiden,
They all are chorusing a hymn to
thee.
Oh, heart of Man! Oh! save us from
the outer sea!

—By Ivan T. Dowell.

Noted Papist Dies at St. Louis, Mo.

St. Louis, Feb. 2.—James G. Ghio, a member of the papal nobility, died today at his county home near St. Louis. In 1906 he was made commander of the Order of St. Gregory the Great by Pope Pius X. and was one of the seventy men in the world to hold that title. The order was conferred on him as a reward for his action in paying a $7,500 debt of a Catholic church in St. Louis.

OPPOSE CHANGING CHILD LABOR LAW.

Meridian, Miss., Jan.—Resolutions opposing amendments to the child labor laws, now pending in the state legislature, which would permit the increase of the working hours of children, were unanimously adopted by a mass meeting of union laboring men here. It was decided to send copies of the resolutions to every member of the general assembly.

The amendments seek to increase the hours of work from eight hours per day and 48 hours a week to ten hours per day and 60 hours per week.

It is also sought to permit children to work an additional half hour daily that they may quit work two and a half hours earlier on Saturdays.

"I'M A SOCIALIST," SAYS HETTY GREEN'S NEPHEW

New York, Feb. 3.—Hetty Green nephew, the Rev. Dr. Augustine Elmendorf, who baptized her about a year ago, announces that he is Socialist. He is secretary of the Social service commission of the Episcopal diocese of Newark, N. J.

House Votes In Favor of Strike Probe

Washington.—By a vote of 151 to 55, the house passed the Mac-Donald-Keating resolution for a congressional investigation of the Michigan and Colorado strikes by the committee on mines and mining.

Representative E. T. Taylor, Colorado, will head the special sub-committee of five members of the house committee on mines, which will investigate the Michigan strike situation. The other members to be appointed. It is expected that the committee will first go over the evidence collected by the department of labor and will then go to Calumet to hold its hearings.

Persistent opposition to the resolution was made by Representative Kelly, who declared that the investigation by the committee would "humiliate a great commonwealth." Rosctionary democrats, Garrett, Tennessee and Hardwick, Georgia, also opposed the inquiry.

A sensation was created when Representative Buchanan, Illinois, a union man, asked Kelley if he knew that the attorney of the Calumet & Hecla company came to Washington and advised with J. Q. Emery, the attorney for the National Association of Manufacturers and asked him to exercise his influence.

This is the first time that the National Association of Manufacturers has been openly charged with lobbying in this case, though it has been known for some days where the opposition was coming from.

Representative MacDonald characterized conditions in the Calumet regions as a "national scandal" and declared that the conditions were fundamental. He stated that since he had introduced the resolution, "I have brought down upon my head a avalanche of criticism and attack, such as I believe has seldom been equaled before, from the press controlled by the interests that are opposing this investigation, and others whom they apparently control.

"The attack is significant because I have been doing nothing but advocating a resolution that will bring out the truth. The truth is a situation of this kind will harm no one who is right."

Representative Lewis, Maryland, author of the parcel post bill and of the telephone nationalization measure, said the question was whether feudalism should prevail. He advocated the passage of a law giving the supreme court of the United States jurisdiction to reverse state courts when the decision is in favor of a claim set up under federal law.

FRIEND OF CAPITAL "BOOSTS" SOCIALISM.

"That Socialism is slime and ought to be suppressed, as you would any other disorder or treason," was part of the bitter harrangument of Western Federation of Miners delivered last night by Milo D. Campbell, United States marshal for the eastern Michigan district, at the fifty-first annual banquet of the Michigan State Association at Rauscher's fashionable dining rooms. Senator Townsend of Michigan was toastmaster and voiced opposition to the strike investigation. Representative McDonald did not attend. Here are some of Campbell's sentiments:

"The line cleavage," he declared, "is well defined between men who worship the red flag and those hearts beat faster and prouder under the Stars and Stripes and it is to a branch o this organization, foistering and teeming with bitterest hatred of this government of yours and mine that the mine owners have said they would never bow in submission.

"The conflict is not between justice and wrong; i is a conflict between order and violence.

"My friends let the heavens fall between; will we allow the flag to be trailed in the slime of Socialism or coerce the employers of labor into relognition of it. But you ask how may it be suppressed? Why suppress it as you would any other disorder or treason anywhere. It needs no new machinery nor new laws."

PADEREWSKI DENIES ADING ANTI-SEMITES.

Paderewski, the famous pianist, has issued a statement denying that he has given aid or sympathy to the anti-semite movement, or that he has ever given financial assistance to any anti-semitic paper in Poland.

SOCIALISTS FORCE INSURANCE LAWS.

Berlin.—Thanks to its clerical dictatorship, Belgium, although one of the foremost industrial countries in the world, is one of the most backward in all social legislation. Well little has been accomplished is due to the pressure of the labor movement and the fear of the rapid growth of the Labor party.

Recently the government felt itself compelled to introduce a bill providing for compulsory insurance against sickness, premature incapacity for work and old age. This bill provides that all persons earning less than $480 a year, and under 65 years of age must be insured, no matter whether engaged in commerce, industry or agriculture.

It is estimated that the law will include 1,500,000 persons. The benefit societies now in existence are, to a certain extent, to form the base of the operation of the new law.

The workers are required to pay $2.24 a year for their old age insurance. On their sixty-fifth year being reached they receive a pension of 20 cents a day. The state contributes from 40 cents to $1.80 a year per insured person toward the cost of the insurance.

The Virginia Socialist Vote Is Very Steady

Newport News, Feb., 3.—The official canvass by the legislature of the vote for governor of this state in 1913 has just been completed and shows a remarkable increase in the Socialist strength.

The total Socialist party vote for governor in 1913 was 5,899, against 1,377 for the same office at the previous election in 1909. The Socialist vote for president in 1912 was 820, and in 1908 was 255.

This shows that while there was an extraordinary growth last year, it is only part of a steady increase.—From State Secretary Socialist Party.

PASTOR SENTENCED TO JAIL,

Criminal Libel Is Charged Against Portland, Me., Minister.

Portland, Me., Feb. 4.—The Rev. Wilbur M. Berry was sentenced to four months in jail today on a charge of criminal libeling Associate Justice Haley of the supreme court. The case will go to the law court on exceptions.

The alleged libel was contained in articles written by Mr. Berry and appearing in the Civic League Record, the organ of the Christian Civic League, of which the defendant was secretary. The articles criticized that theyre about. If they'd stop to think, they'd perceive that their welfare—the amount of goods they sell; the volume of their professional fees—depends not on the enriched few but on the toiling many. Actually it is to their interest that labor should be well paid and prosperous; that absentee stockholders shouldn't drain so much money out of the community.

But because they mix socially with the upper class; because they have been miseducated into having a contempt for unskilled labor, and because many of them are really stupid, they let the exploiters' catspaws pull them into the labor-baiting game and thus, in misguided enthusiasm, plot attacks on their own pocketbooks.

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News Agency Is Scored in Congress Sift

Senate Committee Scathingly Denounces Press Concern Which Canada Paid $42,000 to Circulate Fake Writeups.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Officials of the Western Newspaper Union were scathingly denounced by members of the senate lobby committee after Advertising Manager Washington had told that the Canadian government had paid his firm $42,000 a year for the last 12 years for "patent inside" writeups, supplied in the guise of news to small newspapers throughout the country.

"You were hired by a foreign government to do an act disloyal to your own country. Are you not ashamed of that?" thundered Senator Nelson.

Washington pleaded in extenuation that big Chicago papers, especially the Tribune and Record-Herald had published the same kind of articles.

The particular pointed interview to which the attention of the committee had been called, supposedly from an Iowa farmer, who had left poverty in the United States, to find prosperity, was published, Washington said in about 4,800 newspapers.

President G. A. Joslyn of the union admitted that the Canadian government had been paying the Western Newspaper Union for 16 years to get articles boosting Canada inserted in the "patent insides" of small newspapers. He explained that the editors had only to print these of one side.

Inquiry as to whether the Western Newspaper Union was a "trust" were made by Senators Nelson and Overman. Joslyn testified that a holding company capitalized at $6,250,000 controlled the branches. He said its actual physical valuation would show about $1,200,000. He said the department of justice had completed an investigation of the "trust" feature fithout a prosecution.

Washington admitted that 150,000 Americans had been attracted each year to Canada. He urged, however, that many Canadians were attracted to this country.

Special Advertising Representative William White of the union said he had tried especially to keep within the bounds of the anti-trust law in this country.—Milwaukee Leader.

BAMBOOZLED.

Did you ever look over a citizens alliance.

The prime mover is usually a corporation lawyer or the hireling of a board of trade. He calls in the system trusties; they start the ball rolling and it grows like a snowball.

Lots of folk who get into citizens alliances don't at the time realize what they're about. If they'd stop to think, they'd perceive that their welfare—the amount of goods they sell; the volume of their professional fees—depends not on the enriched few but on the toiling many. Actually it is to their interest that labor should be well paid and prosperous; that absentee stockholders shouldn't drain so much money out of the community.

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FATHER JONES COLUMN

THE SALVATION ARMY.

How They Work in Dayton, Ohio—They Are the Same in All the Cities Look Them Up, Comrades, and Show Up the "Wolves in Sheep's Clothing.

The Miami Valley Socialist Investigators.

Tuesday morning, January 13, 1914, the editor of the M. V. S. stood, apparently examining the show windows of G. R. Kinney & Co.'s shoe store on East Fourth street.

In reality he was watching a Salvation Army wagon which had backed up against the curb.

He saw nine large boxes, containing hundreds of shoes of all sizes, slightly damaged, brought out on trucks and loaded into the wagon.

He accosted one of the pair of meek Christians who were in charge of the wagon.

"What are they?—flood shoes?" he asked in a tone of careless curiosity.

"I don't know."

"What are you going to do with them?"

"They're for the Salvation Army."

"What does the Salvation Army want with so many shoes?"

"To give away—to the poor," answered the pious person with a look of meek, reproachful surprise at the ignorance of the inquirer.

An eye-witness later reported the safe arrival of those shoes "for the poor" at the Industrial Department of the Salvation Army on East Fifth street.

The M. V. S. that same afternoon rigged up two investigators to look as seedy and poverty-stricken as possible.

These men applied at the Industrial Department, the one for a pair of shoes, the other for an overcoat.

He who applied for shoes began a hard-luck story and showed a pair of thin, low shoes that were literally falling from his feet.

"I can't help you," said the man in charge without even troubling to inquire his size. "We have a few shoes but nothing that will fit you."

The other investigator made a passionate and persistent demand for an overcoat.

"Nothing doing," said the man in charge. "We'll sell you an overcoat for 50 cents—or you can get one if you bring an order from the Associated Charities."

"But I can't get an order from the Associated Charities tonight!"

"Nothing doing."

"Why, good God! I could freeze to death tonight, before I'd get that!"

The evening was bitterly cold, but the Salvation Army man could see no way to relieve this applicant's distress.

The M. V. S. next day inquired of the Associated Charities if they were in the habit of sending destitute men to the Salvation Army with orders for overcoats

Miss Edwards, the secretary, positively denied that the Associated Charities had ever done this.

She said that the only time they had sent destitute men to the Salvation Army was when they supposed the Army had some work at which the men could be employed.

What the "Army" Gives Away.

Does the Salvation Army give anything away?

Yes, certainly.

It gives the much, advertised Christmas dinners to the poor. For days beforehand the uniformed employes of the Army stand on our down-town street corners, with tripod, bottle and clanging bell.

Thousands of nickels, dimes, quarters, and larger coins drop into those kettles.

The soft-hearted, softer-headed givers believe of course that their money goes to "feed the poor."

As a matter of more probable fact, their money goes to pay big dividends on the Salvation Army capital stock.

H.G. Creel declared, as a result of his personal investigation in Chicago and St. Louis, that the provisions begged from the packing plants, commission houses, and wholesale grocers are more than sufficient to feed all the poor that the Salvation Army bother themselves with.

Here is one of Creel's statements:

"Several years ago this concern (the K. C. Baking Powder Co.) packed three barrels with cans of baking powder and gave them to the Salvation Army on the assumption or representation that they were to be used in baking Christmas cakes and cookies for the poor. About a week later a Chicago grocer refused to order from one of the K. C. city salesmen, saying he could buy the bread cheaper than the factory's lowest figure. The salesman treated this as a joke, until the grocer produced his bill. An investigation followed and disclosed the fact that the Lumber & Mfg. Co., the Corbin Screw Co., the Kinnard Mfg. Co., and other large employers of labor.

We understood how Mr. Quartel was able to find jobs for those who confessed Jesus.

"Jesus Saves!"

If you want to be saved from hunger and houseless misery in the cold winter nights, if you want a job where you can be duly humbled and grateful to the Christian employer who thus permits you to exist—go to and confess Jesus.

That is to say, be a hypocrite. What do these "Captains of Industry" care for religion, even of the tainted hypocritical kind that obtains today? Nothing at all. It's only a matter of business with them. Do you know why Jesus, speaking of His coming again to the world, said: "Nevertheless when the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth? Luke 18:8, and immediately following in verses 10-13 is the parable of the pharisee and the publican. Read it and then you'll find either Jesus was a liar or these hypocrites are. Take your choice.

"In the Salvation Army we have a strong barrier against Godless Socialism."—Annual Army Report, by Arnold White.

What do you suppose an Army Report, the report of a murder machine, has to do with religion? The thing that calls itself religion today, (which it is not), is at complete understanding with the beast of capitalism. Did you know that this is spoken of in Isaiah 28th, 15-18th? Read it. It is called "a covenant with death and an agreement with hell." And it foretells the big revolution that's just ahead, the 18th verse says: "And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreemnt with hell, shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge, (the revolution) shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it."

This "confess Jesus" to get employment and help from capitalism is fcretold in Revelations 13:11-17. The 17th verse says: "No man might buy or sell (sell his labor power) save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast (false religion), or the number of his name." Had it not been covered by figurative language, it would have been destroyed from the Bible long ago, but a careful study of the meaning of Babylon and her daughters (see Rev. 17:5), tells it all as present day facts are interpreting its meaning. Read it. Study it. Think of it, and then say if is it religion.

WHAT SOCIALISM WILL DO FOR THE PEOPLE.

Some of the Many Good Things Which Socialism Will Accomplish.

(By G. W. Galloway.)

It will reorganize government on a sound and just basis under which the majority will rule through honest elections and thereby fix and control their own economic destinies.

It will put into practice, without any dishonest emergency clauses, the initiative referendum and recall

It will establish a co-operative commonwealth under which collective society will own and control all socially used means of production and distribution.

It will insure free speech, free press and free use of the ballot to all classes, and both sexes.

It will insure each citizen an opportunity to acquire abundant support on short time while able to perform useful service, and adequate pension when passed the age limit or disabled; thus putting the masses who suffer from present poverty or fear of suffering from future poverty, in a position to enjoy life as never before.

Socialism will abolish most all crime by changing environments and enabling all citizens to acquire luxurious support without commission of crime.

It will abolish illiteracy and child slavery by enabling parents to acquire abundant support without enslaving their children during school age.

It will save women and girls from selling their virtue to avoid the pangs of hunger or death by starvation.

Socialism will destroy the profit system which is responsible for more crime suffering and death than all other causes combined. It is the one monster curse which must be destroyed before the masses can be free to enjoy life—or even health.

Greed for profit causes preserving poisons to be used largely in manufactured foodstuffs, causing broken health, premature death and shortened life of the race.

Greed for profit or gain is the chief cause of war. War is a monster destroyer of happiness, life and property. Preparation for war places a slaving and ruinous tax upon the people.

Greed for profit causes inadequate safety appliances on transportation lines in shops, mines and factories, causing thousands of deaths and cripples annually.

Greed for profit causes thousands of workers to be thrown out of employment annually from which millions suffer.

Under Socialism there will be no compulsory idleness or compulsory poverty so common under capitalism, as Socialism will abolish exploitation and poverty and withhold special privilege from all citizens. There will be no such thing as class struggles and class hatred.

It is said by enemies of Socialism who would rather tell a lie than to tell the truth, that Socialists are free lovers and opposed to marriage vows; that under Socialism, men and women will not be allowed to marry. Were this statement true those who endorse and uphold the capitalist system under which one hundred and twenty-six uncontested divorce decrees were granted in one court in one day should have more respect for consistency than to mention relationship of Socialism to marriage vows; especially so when it is a fact that hundreds of thousands of young men refuse to marry because they see no chance to support families under capitalism, when as many others refuse to stay married for the same reason, and when still other thousands of men and women marry for money and property.

Under Socialism all men will realize their ability to maintain families in decency and comfort; therefore it is reasonable to suppose that most all men and women will marry; and what is better, they will marry for love, and therefore raise truer-hearted more refined and kindly disposed children.

Under Socialism, government will be so just, and opportunities so great, that men and women will not be forced to murder their own children and then commit suicide to avoid death by starvation. Unless some of our present exploiters who will not be allowed under Socialism to live from the toil of other people commit suicide rather than work, suicides will not be heard of under Socialism except by those suffering unbearable pain from incureable disease.

At this writing men, women and children in the United States are freezing in large numbers because unable to buy fuel. Their inability to buy fuel results from exploitation; and unemployment resulting from greed for profit. Verily capitalism is a monster-robbing and death-dealing machine, endorsed and supported by men who pretend to be honest; many of whom profess to be followers of the Nazarene who was murdered by similar ancient pretenders because He contended for honest dealing and just treatment of the toiling poor.

It is indeed difficult to understand how people can conscientiously lay claim to Christianity or honesty while they oppose Socialism—a movement inaugurated for the express purpose of establishing just government and elimination of all governmental evils and injustices under which the masses now suffer.

Under Socialism honest acts and peaceful statements will be popular. There will be nothing to hide from the public—which is an over-worked game under capitalism.

Under Socialism the people will supervise the making of laws and control the acts of elected officials through initiative, referendum and recall; therefore, there will be no "tricks" to sugar-coat or hide. Human rights will be considered to be more important than property rights.

The man or the woman will be bigger than the dollar. Hypocrites will not then wear the cloak of Christ to deceive the people and get special pulls to advance their personal interests. Special pulls will go out of existence with capitalism.

MICHIGAN STRIKE.

By Lucien Saint.

Wash., D. C., Feb 4.—(Special)—The Copper lands on which the Michigan copper barons have established a brutal industrial feudalism do not belong to the Michigan copper barons, but to the people of the United States. This is the single most important piece of evidence laid before the House committee which is investigating the Michigan copper strike. If Attorney General McReynolds has an atom of consistency in him he will institute a suit for the recovery of those lands on the sound legal grounds that the Michigan copper barons have no legal title thereto.

So not only have the Calumet and Hecla interests been robbing the workingmen of the "unpaid wages" which are their due, but they have been robbing the people of the United States of the rich natural resources, the conservation and exploitation of which by the government would have meant not only fewer Boston millionaires, but also less misery and fewer murders done in the name of law and order.

The statement that there exists no legal title to the more than 65,000 acres of good copper lands is being verified by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, by the house committee and by certain well-meaning but powerless officials of the government itself. The records are all available; they are the record and documents of a former congressional committee and the report of Wm. A. J. Sparks, one time commissioner of the general land office, as well as former secretary of the interior, Lucien Q. C. Lamar. The whole story is told in these two quotations:

First, from page 35 of Sparks' annual report for 1886:

"Lands which had been designated by the United States as 'mineral' prior to March 3, 1865, were excluded from the grant of lands made by the act of congress of that date for the Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal. Notwithstanding this express exception in the granting act, upward of 68,000 acres which had been designated by the United States as mineral before March 3, 1865, including some of the most valuable lands in the copper range of the upper peninsula of Michigan, were certified and approved by this department, for the benefit of the Ship Canal Company. Suit was recommended by this office June 9, 1886, to recover said mineral lands to the United States."

Second, from a letter written in the same year by Secretary Lamar to the chairman of the "Public Lands Committee of the Senate:

"I concur with the views expressed by the commissioner and the conclusion arrived at by him relative to the institution of suits."

Of course, however, the suits were not started, and of course Commissioner Sparks was fired from the government service.

Today the government is suing the Southern Pacific Railway company, for the recovery of a billion dollars worth of oil lands in Southern California on precisely the same grounds as those which Sparks presented. If the government wanted to, it could consistently sue the Calumet and Hecla people for the recovery of the lands they have been exploiting, and it could recover them, run the mines as government property, and thus end one of the fattest grafts which exist in the nation.

The government will act if it hears from the people on this. Write to your congressman, ask him to sit up and take notice of what is going on, and see the wheels go round. If your republican-democratic-bull moose congressman won't do it, (and he probably won't) elect a Socialist next time.—Soc. Party Press Service.

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WOMAN'S COLUMN

WOMAN'S DAY, MARCH 19, 1914.

Prepare now for Woman's Day celebrations.

The day for holding our national Woman's Day meetings was changed from the last Sunday in February to March 19, in compliance with action of the Woman's National Committee, 1913.

This action was taken in order that this day might be an international celebration instead of national, as several European nations are celebrating March 19.

Socialist and labor papers through- the United States will issue special editions during this week. Our Socialist writers are already contributing articles for these special editions. Every available speaker, man and woman, will be drafted into service.

Special programs are being prepared in the Woman's Department for use in these districts and locals where a speaker cannot be secured. Over 300 of our Children's Day programs were used in this way. We intend that the national office press service for Woman's Day special editions will be as good as was the Children's Day service.

In speaking of the Children's Day service, Arthur Brooks Baker, editor of the Workers' World, says editorially:

"For some years the national office of the Socialist party has been syndicating a weekly news bulletin, which is widely reprinted in the Socialist papers. Recently, on the occasion of Children's Day, the woman's correspondent, Mrs. Branstetter, compiled a large amount of "copy" by writers from all over the country. Much of it was the best work of our best writers. Many readers remarked that the issue of Worker's World in which this syndicated matter appeared was the best ever published, and it probably was.

It had variety in material, style and point of view."

Socialist papers desiring special press service for Woman's Day election should make application for same immediately.—Party Builder.

When gasoline is used to remove a spot from clothing a ring is often left around where the spot has been. A little salt in the gasoline will overcome this, leaving no trace of the soiled spot.

WHAT BATTLERS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS SAY OF OUTRAGE BY COLORADO "SOLGERS."

(From the Denver Express.)

Mrs. Agnes Riddle, state representatives: "My only conclusion is that the state militia are a lot of cowards. The women of Colorado will be a unit in condemning their action, but remedies will not come with condemnation. What we need is a compulsory arbitration law for labor disputes, and the state operation of coal lands."

Wife of state militiaman (name withheld): "If my husband was in the company which charged those women, he need not come home."

Miss Josephine Roche, former policewoman: "I think the attack of the cavalry on the women of Trinidad was outrageous, and quite in line with the treatment accorded Mother Jones. It is the natural outcome of the failure of the state to deal wisely with our industrial disputes."

Miss Gail Laughlin, attorney: "To allow the militia to change a peaceful parade of either women or men is a disgrace to Colorado and the nation. The history of this occurrence goes back to the time when coal operators of Colorado offered to comprise with the striking miners by obeying state laws. They mean, I suppose, that they would obey laws just as long as they saw fit. Governor E. M. Ammons says it is costing $5,000 a day to keep the militia in Colorado coal fields. It is to be deplored that this money is not legislature to remedy affairs. As a agent for a special session of the woman I'd like to know why it is special crime for women to organize and fight for their rights."

Mrs. James Belford, pioneer of Colorado and clubwoman: There can be no justification for the action of the militia. The women of Trinidad believe that their cause is just. They are heroic and brave to the point of suffering hardships, and seeing their children suffer to secure redress of their wrongs. Brave women are suffering in Colorado; Calumet, Michigan and Mexico and such military oppression as that offered Thursday by General Chase is

alienating every woman in the land with their cause."

Mrs. E. P. Costigan, president of the Woman's club of Denver: "It is intolerable that our progressive western state, conditions such as prevail in the southern field should continue. Constitutional rights are being broken. Little children are being trampled under and the whole situation is heartrending. Women throughout Colorado should take steps to end such conditions."

Mrs. Harriet G. R. Wright, president of the Colorado Equal Suffrage association: "The outrage at Trinidad is arousing discussion all over the state. My sentiments were expressed in the resolutions passed by our association condemning the deposition of Mother Jones."

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Mrs. Helen Grenfell, former state superintendent of schools: "Women, if they are lawbreakers, are equally responsible with men. If the women of Colorado decide they have been wronged they fortunately have the same ballot for redress as men."

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"Progressives of Colorado have long deplored the grievous conditions in the strike district of this state," said E. P. Costigan. "Not wishing to embarrass, or even seem to embarrass, an administration for which they are not responsible, they have vainly hoped for a solution from a policy they considered unfortunate.

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"Conditions are growing worse. Violence is breeding violence. The constitution is being forgotten. Women and children are becoming the victims of industrial war.

"The constructive genius of the state should be aroused; its reserve governmental powers invoked; the best traditions of our country on life and liberty reviewed. Laws should be enforced, property protected; but, more than all, the community's welfare should be consulted. The rights of man and woman are the supreme rights. The results of the investigation in the southern coal fields should be fully published at once for the creation of an intelligent public opinion. The labor situation should be thoroughly revealed. Its just demands should be immediately granted

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Denver, Col., Feb., 4.—(Special)—"No better attest of the success of the coal strike could be had than the operators' own figures furnished the state coal mine inspector for December which show that the production of coal in the strike zone was only 39 per cent of the tonnage taken from these same mines in December 1912," said John R. Lawson, National Board Member of District 15.

"Probably the most surprising thing about the operator's figures is the fact that they absolutely prove that former newspaper statements made by them were absolutely false.

"Every scheme possible was used by the operators during the latter part of November to get scabs into the state. Hundreds of men were brought from the east on the promise that they were to work in a mine near Denver where there were no labor troubles.

"Another large bunch of men were brought from Joplin Missouri on the promise that they were buying 20 acres of land in the San Luis valley near Alamosa and then taken under military protection into the Delagua mine several hundred miles away.

"With the aid of militia and hundreds of murderous mine guards these men were forced to work in the mines against their protests. At Tercio the guards took the men's shoes from them every night to prevent their escape.

"The operators made repeated announcements through their press that they had all the men they needed so that production would be normal for the month of December. Throughout the month they repeated these statements and said that so far as they were concerned the strike was broken.

"When, in the middle of December they were unable to produce enough coal to supply the penal institutions of the state and were forced to lease a mine to the state, to produce its own coal. They made no effort to explain the shortage.

"Those citizens who have had any doubts about the success of the coal strike can find excellent food for thought in the figures for December.

"The non-union mines of Las Animas county produced 120,188 tons of coal in December 1913 as against 299,348 tons in the same month of 1912.

"Huerfano county's non-union mines produced 69,046 tons last month as against 173,474 tons in the same month of 1912.

"Fremont county's non-union mines produced 7,585 tons of coal in December 1913. The production in December 1912 was 81,471.

"While the low production of the non-union mines is encouraging, the operator's figures also prove the efficiency of union labor. Five union mines in El Paso county produced 26,219 tons of coal in December 1913 as against 23,657 tons in December 1912.

"The operator's figures therefore prove that while non-union men are able to produce but 30 per cent of the normal tonnage, the union coal miners mined 112 per cent of the normal output."

Young Socialist Column

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1913.

A total of sixty-four young people's Socialist leagues have been organized since the Young People's Department started work on October 12. These leagues, with the possible exception of eight, were organized as the result of the efforts of this department, all of them being furnished with instructions on how to organize and proceed with the work and also a sample constitution.

Upon starting the work in the Young People's Department, the director of the Woman's Department furnished me with a list of sixty-eight leagues which were supposedly in existence. After considerable trouble I found that forty-two of these leagues were in existence and six others were also discovered, making a total of forty-eight leagues.

All of large cities in the Eastern, Central and Western states were immediately circulated, to the number of 220. A circular letter was sent to all lyceum secretaries asking them to push the work and a slip telling of the establishment of the department and its work, was sent to all locals at a time when they were being circularized by the National Office. Practically no results were secured from the later two circularizations.

The state secretaries have been circularized twice and woman state correspondence once. However, up to present time only few secretaries have given their active co-operation.

Two press articles were sent to all the Socialist papers and the Appeal to Reason also published an article on the work of the department.

As stated above the result of this agitation has been the organization of 64 new leagues, making a total of 112 leagues now in existence, with a membership conservatively estimated at 4,800. In addition to those there are 18 leagues now in the process of being organized.

The work of the head of the department is not entirely confined to the young people's work, from one-third to one-half the time being spent on other work.

In connection with Children's Day, a letter was sent to all the leagues asking them to boost the work. A number of the leagues held meetings and entertainments of their own and distributed literature while others co-operated with the local in celebrating the day.

A plan of work was sent the members of the executive committee some time ago for their approval, but only one member returned the plan with comment. (Other members of the committee stated they approved of the plan in its entirely. I desire the approval of this plan before it is published in the Party Builder or in pamphlet form, though I have been furnishing it to all persons asking for instructions on the organization of young people's leagues.

In some states the work will soon state headquarters and I suggest that your committee approve the plan of having the state executive committees of the party select state directors of the young people's leagues.

As a means to increase the interest in educational work among the young people, I propose the following and ask for your endorsement:

That a contest for the best essay on "Socialism and the Youth" be initiated among the Young People's Socialist Leagues.

That the leagues select their own judges for the local contests, at least one of whom must be a member of the Socialist local.

That gold medals be given as first prizes and silver medals for second prizes, the medals to be furnished by the national office to the leagues at cost.

That in addition to the local prizes, the national office give a solid gold medal and a solid silver medal for the two best essays submitted to this office by the local first prize winners, the national winners to be selected by the Editing Committee of the Socialist party.—A Rogers, in Party Builder.

The school boy is told that "success" means to get money. He must trample on the hopes of his fellow men and enslave them to himself, if he would achieve his coveted "success." This is not the kind of success that the Socialist is after. He wishes to establish a system of production that will issue to the worker his whole product, with compelling him to divide with the rich man.

The ability to work and earn an honest living, taking advantage of the modern methods of production, looks like success to a Socialist. Taking the other fellow's goods looks like robbery.

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The North Platte, Neb., Young People's Socialist League meeting recently was a success beyond the expectation of even the most enthusiastic young people who are working so successfully in an endeavor to interest the young in the importance of organization. This meeting of the League brought a goodly number of grownups out to enjoy the songs and recitations.

Mrs. Axtel was chosen by the young folks as chairman of the evening. The League has now a membership of over thirty enthusiastic boys and girls.

The next meeting will be held February 27 at 8 p. m. at the public library.

ARKANSAS STATE NOTES

Comrade Brown of Conway, sends in dues for one year's membership-at-large.

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Six dates have been arranged to date through the South on Southern Worker basis. Can your local handle one of these dates?

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If you want a date with Comrade Carrie Turnidge or Clinton Simonton, write headquarters immediately.

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Reports for January have gone fourth from state headquarters. If you have failed to receive yours, notify this office by postal card and the report will be sent you under first class postage.

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Comrade Thos. Green of Bentonville will fill dates in the Northwestern part of the state for expenses. He has been distributing literature and lecturing all through the winter and should be given the co-operation of the comrades.

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Comrade Dora Mertz is now in Arkansas and is available for dates any place in the state. Write headquarters in case you desire a date with her.

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Local Ft. Smith has taken up the program plan of work and renders each meeting a splendidly prepared program. The little Howe folks are especially interesting in their work and earnestness.

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Crawford County will hold a county meeting at Haroldton in the near future and the delegates or part of them will enjoy a hay ride from Van Buren out to that place.

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What are you doing with those petitions? Get busy with them. The workers of the state are asking your co-operation in this.

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Comrade Hale of White county local sends in $6.00 for dues for that local. He writes: "I am in the work to stay."

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Comrade C. A. Rudolph was elected delegate to the state convention from Local Denning.

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Local Bald Hill sends in a report this month and dues for six members for three months in advance.

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Comrade A. E. Blackwell spoke at Midland, Prairie Creek and Arkoal last Saturday and Sunday.

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Comrade French of Hempstead county visited headquarters this week for the purpose of outlining a plan of work for the coming campaign in his district. Comrade French intends to devote his entire time to the organization of the party.

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"Go ahead with the work. We are doing all we can. We have the petitions you sent us about filled in."—O. P. Noble, Jonesboro.

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Local Argenta is handling seven of the Miners' petitions. Many locals in the state could do likewise if they would resolve to do so.

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"We have fourteen members in our local at present and believe we will soon have seventy-five."—H. S. Garrett, Keevil.

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Comrade Sam Farmer organized two locals last week. The work in Miller County is going forward splendidly.

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"If we can get an election law drawn, get it in the hands of the membership with a view to its discussion and betterment, I think we will be doing the right thing."—L. A. Smith, Booneville.

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Comrade Jones of Sidon orders 27 dues stamps for this month.

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Comrade Carrie Turnidge of Springdale, has the initiative work of organizing the third district in her hands. Comrades desiring information relative to this work should write her.

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A leaflet entitled "How to Organize the Young," is now in the state office and a copy will be sent to anyone who is interested in this work.

Extracts and Letters

Saturday, Jan. 24, 1914.
Comrade Bard:
My papers arrived yesterday (Friday) afternoon, and it is a dandy. I am well satisfied with results so far. Yours for Socialism.—J. P. Marchant, Phoenix, Ala.

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Springfield, Mo., Jan. 31, 1914.
Socialist Newspaper Group:
We are now colecting material for a special issue of 5,000 copies, for an election campaign issue. The election will be held on the 10th of February.—J. E. England.

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Subscribe for the "Searchlight," it is a health certificate against graft, and we are no doctor, either, and it won't cost you a dollar every Monday morning.—Cairo Searchlight, Cairo, Ill.

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We are going to Los Angeles, California, next week. No, not the editor—the paper. Yes, we believe in expansion as long as it's "us."—Rock Island County Socialist, Moline, Ill.

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Note the caption on this page that asserts that we have more advertisers than all Muscatine newspapers combined. Also that we have the largest paid circulation of any Socialist newspaper in Iowa—and we are but little more than a year old. We are willing to bring proof for these statements to any interested person.—Muscatine County Socialist, Muscatine, Iowa.

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The Iconoclast will issue a special edition of ten thousand copies in March, carrying the most merciless exposures of the courts of capitalism ever written. And every statement will be proven by the records of Texas courts. This will show that the courts are being used by the rich to rob the poor and that no poor man ever gets justice from a rich man, in other words, that the rich grafters own the courts, that these courts are being run by their servants in their interests and to punish the workers who rebel against the exploiters. This exposure will make it as plain as day that the laws are made by the rich, to protect their property and to punish the workers who rebel against them. It will prove that property-rights are protected fully, while mere human rights or rights of persons, are ignored; if those persons happen to be poor workers. A spade will be called a spade and the courts and the robbers will be named. These exposures will run through several issues, beginning with March, 1914, so it will pay you to send in your orders for subscriptions and bundles, early. Every area, thinking working man in Texas and Oklahoma ought to read these exposures of actual cases of deliberate fraud, carried on by the lawyers, countenanced by the judges and connived at by the jurors in these cases, which were tried in the courts of two great Southern states.—Goode's Iconoclast, Dallas, Texas.

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Debs Sure Coming.

A contract has been signed for the Debs date at Shreveport. He is going to speak on a subscription basis for the Southern Light and the Southern Worker. The Light is the only paper in Shreveport that is published in the interest of the great majority, the working class, and should be supported by all of them. The better you support us the better battle we can and will fight for you.—The Southern Light, Shreveport, La.

YOUNG FOLKS COLUMN

GIVE THEM A PLACE TO PLAY.

(Dennis McCarthy in "Survey.")

Plenty of room for dives and dens
(glitter and glare of sin),
Plenty of room for prison pens
(gather the criminals in):
Plenty of room for jails and courts
(willing enough to pay),
But never a place for the lads to
race—no, never a place to play!

Plenty of room for shops and stores
(Mammon must have the best);
Plenty of room for the running sores
that rot in the city's breast!
Plenty of room for lures that lead
the hearts of our youths astray;
But never a cent on playground spent
—no, never a place to play!

Plenty of room for schools and halls,
plenty of room for art;
Plenty of room for teas and balls;
platform, stage and mart.
Proud is the city—she finds a place
for many a fad today—
But she's more than blind if she
fails to find a place for the boys
to play.

Give them a chance for innocent
sport, give them a chance for
fun—
Better a playground plot than a court
and a jail when the harm is
done.
Give them a chance: if you stint
them now, tomorrow you'll
have to pay
A larger bill for darker ill! So give
them a place to play!

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A four-year-old youngster on his first visit to a city saw a ferryboat crossing the river. "Oh, mamma!" he exclaimed, much excited, "come and look! Here's a choo-choo car in swimming!"

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TWO APPRECIATIVE DOGS.

The readers of the Young Folks Column of this paper will doubtless remember that in other contributions I have given accounts of dogs that manifested unusual, even remarkable constancy and devotion to their masters. In this writing I will somewhat condense and repeat a story of a faithful dog by Winifred Shepler of Hyde Park in Dumb Animals.

The lady says her summer home is near Windsorville, Maine, and is very close to a flag station of a narrow gage railroad. One Wednesday afternoon we saw a country woman and her three children, the youngest in an improvised cart of wheels and a soap box, wending their way towards the crossing where the train is flagged by would-be passengers. They were accompanied by a dog. The little cart was half way the ball field near the track, in the angle formed by the crossing of the track and wagon road, and the dog stationed himself beside it.

The woman and three small children boarded the train, as we supposed to return on the evening train; but, the next morning, the faithful dog was still watching by the rude cart. To say the least, we became interested, when the four trains that passed daily had gone by and the family still did not return. At the dawn of another day, our dog was by his cart, never having left it to our knowledge. That day, the sons of a near neighbor placed food near the dog.

Finally, on Saturday, the mother and her three children alighted from the train. The dog was in ecstasies of delight, and he happily followed the cart and baby as the mother and children returned over the hill that soon hid them from our view.

This reminds me of another dog story told by Joseph M. Reidy, a soldier in our army in the Philippines during the late war. He tells how when on a march he came across a puppy that lay by the roadside dying from starvation. As I looked at it with sorrow and pity the idea came to my mind that it would be a humane act to crush its life out, thereby ending its misery. Just as I was about to deliver the death blow the pup looked up at me and seemed to say: "Please spare my life; take and care for me, and you shall be rewarded." I stooped, picked up the pup, stuck her in my haversack and marched on. That evening when we camped for the night I fed her on whatever I could collect from the soldiers together with all that I myself could spare.

Part of our command camped at a village called Candaba soon after for the rainy season which lasts three months, in which time the puppy had a good chance to recuperate, several months later growing into a fine dog.

This dog when on the march would go ahead of the command and, when an insurgent with a rifle was seen by her, she would run back to the company, barking loudly, as much as to say, "look out the enemy is near!" The men used to look to this dog for signals at all times when on the march or in camp.

Her name was Fanny, and the way she was cared for and idolized by the men would make some human beings envious.

When I was departing for home I tried to take the dog along but the men would not part with her as the insurrection was still in progress and she was as good as a dozen soldiers on guard.

I hope that every boy and girl of our Young Folks Column will cultivate kindness to not only dogs but all animals and fowls. If they are kind to our dumb friends they will be kind to parents and to everybody.—R. A. Dague.

WIVES OF CALUMET MINERS FIGHT FOR DAUGHTERS' HONOR.

"The copper strikers are going to win," declared Carlo Tresca, the well-known strike leader, yesterday. Tresca has lately returned from the Michigan copper country, where he was sent some time ago by an Italian labor organization. Tresca was in Calumet more than a half month, and addressed many meetings of the copper mine strikers.

The strikers will win, he said, because of the support given the miners by their wives, and because of the morality of the copper barons to get trammers.

"The women are the most wonderful I have ever seen," said Tresca. "They realize that they are fighting for their families and their homes. The women work side by side with the men on the picket lines, and are ever in the front of the battle, urging the men to keep up spirit.

"Whenever scabs are encountered by the women, or the parades are held, it has a tremendous moral effect upon the strikebreakers. Every Monday, sixty to seventy-five scabs refuse to work and join the strikers.

"Miners' wives journey eight miles to participate in the picketing, the paraders or to attend a meeting. The reason for the women displaying the courage they do" he said, "is because of the horrible lack of morality that prevailed in the copper country for many years, which they wish to end.

"It was a custom with the miners, when returning home, to whistle, to find out if the captain is with the wife. If the wife answers, the miner knows it is all right and enters his home. If the wife does not answer, he knows that the captain or some other boss is there for his own purpose.

"It was an accepted custom in Calumet," said Tresca, "for the captains, superintendents and mine bosses to choose the wives of the miners.

"The miners wives knew that if they refuse, their husbands would lose their jobs. Sometimes the bosses take the miners' daughters when they reached the age of 14 into homes as servants.

"I know of a case when an Italian miner, who has worked on the night shift in the mines, returned home sick one night. When he arrived at his hut he did not give the usual whistle but walked right into his home.

"He came to the bedroom and was not surprised to see his wife with one of the mine captains. The miner excused himself, and went out of the house and thought nothing of the episode.

"It is against this very system that the miners' wives are fighting. They are fighting for their daughters and their homes," declared Tresca.

"Anna Clemenc, the striker 'Joan of Ark' is a daring woman. While I was there she led a parade one day, when one of the militiamen approached and told her that if she did not stop he would kill her. He pointed his bayonet at her breast, but she was undaunted, and throwing open her waist dared the brute to kill her.

"The soldiers are a most brutal type and girls as young as 12 were kept in the soldiers' tents for immoral purpose.

"The reason the Citizens' Alliance was formed was because the establishment of the Western Federation of Miners' stores cut into the profits of the little business men. The priests are on the job, too. Every evening when the soldiers' bands play the priests read a sermon urging subordination to the master. This is the text every night for the soldiers.—N. Y. Call.

And then we are told that if we expose such villains as this we are "attacking religion." It's no surprise that the Catholic priests are active on the job for the masters. We don't expect anything better from them, but the Methodists, Baptists and other churches are on ground given by the masters, in churches built with the masters money, and the master's money pays their salaries. Only a part of the money is forced contribution, withheld from the poor pay of the miners, by the mine foremen who get their jobs by being active in the church organizations. Is this religion? It is, if it's the kind the devils in hell detest. How will this read in history? If it's not suppressed, it won't be believed. These mine captains who debauch miner's wives and daughters are all church members or they wouldn't be captains. They "confess Jesus," but will he acknowledge them?

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Topeka, Kan.—Systematic, honest, extensive advertising is the best way to compete with the mail order houses. Governor Hodges told the business men of Kansas City a few days ago at a meeting there. And he laid down a rule that if every merchant would spend as much in honest advertising as the mail order houses do, they would have little trouble with the mail order business. The governor also declared that in his opinion trading stamps are detrimental to business and he believed they should not be used.

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WOODROW WILSON

All honor to Prof. Woodrow Wilson. As president of these United States, and as manager of the democratic party! He has accomplished many wonders, and the most astonishing thing of it all is that he has forever the big and little democrats to carry out the most of their platform promises, so far. In all of the annals of history, no such a thing as this is recorded, before. He has forced these democratic grafters to reduce the tariff. He has compelled all the big grafters to agree to a change in our banking system and he is now going after the Trusts like a Sioux Indian after our forefathers, with his still red and dripping tomahawk. All this is truly, very amazing.

My forebears have all been genuine, yard-wide, dyed-in-the-wool, blue-bellied democrats, old, in their names, I want to thank the Professor for all his own individual honesty, splendid leadership and shrewd management of affairs.

He is a fine example of the gentleman and scholar, the really good man in politics, and I desire to record my sincere admiration for him as President.

But let us see what all this really means to the ninety million workers who live in the United States, all of whom are being grafted out of about 85 per cent of all they produce, by the scheming few owners of their means of life: By reducing the tariff, he has reduced the cost of living to the masses in about the following proportion; on every dollar saved, the ninety millions save 15 per cent, while the owners of the machines of industry get 85 per cent of that dollar. This serves these owners nearly six times as well as it serves the workers. If these owners of these machines, and their products, lose one penny by this transaction, all they have to do is add that penny to the price they ask the workers for their necessities, and thus play even on tariff reduction. This would, does and will add that penny to the cost of living of the masses. The grafting owner lose absolutely nothing, on this score, while they get their own 85 per cent of all of our products at 85 cents on the dollar of the reduction cheaper than they did before the tariff was reduced, which amount they can add to their profits and leave the masses the sole losers on the deal. All of which means but a drop in the bucket, when comparing to the 85 per cent graft these owners were and are now securing on all of the values of all our products, which in round numbers amount to thirty billion dollars per annum, of which these parasitic owners continue to secure about twenty-five billion while the wages of the ninety millions amount to less than five billion while of which workers must pay for all of their necessities all of which are owned by these same grafters, who make big profits on same. The total savings of all kinds on tariff reductions cannot be as much as one billion, 85 per cent of which goes to these same grafters, who get their goods to speculate on that much cheaper. This would leave one-hundred and fifty millions of this saving to go to the masses, all of which will be added to their cost of living, in order to add same to the profits of these speculators. This, then proves that this whole tariff issue is a sham, a subterfuge of the owners, and Prof. Wilson has mercly allowed himself to be used by them to pull their chestnuts out of the fire, in an effort to fool the people, again. The cost of living has not been reduced a single penny. The wages of the workers have not been raised a single penny. The rents, interests and profits of the grafters have all been raised and they are all happy over it all. The whole thing is a waste-howling farce as far as the workers are concerned.

Now, let us see what effect this change in our banking system will have on the ninety millions who earn all the money, put all the money in the banks and then pay the banks all the interest the bankers collect on their money; The regional banks will enable the bankers and the government to stop all the panics among the speculators, so that can now continue their game of skin-em with more security than heretofore; hence these grafting bankers are all very happy over this change, in their favor. Then the new plan will open up more and better loans, through "farmer's credit" banks, thus enabling the bankers to increase their business, make more money and earn more money, at a better rate of interest, and on a better security. The bankers get all the benefits, while the people pay all the bills, with added banker's profit on it. No working man is benefitted. The bankers remain the official leaders of all of our money, and the people will now be compelled to pay them greater profits on it all. The twenty-five billion in loans will be increased, to use, but this mere enlarges the banker's field of operation and enables this parasitical grafter on all the people to make more money out of the world's labor. And it is enough to make a horse laugh, to see the way these bone-headed democrats take it all in and thank all the gods for their Woodrow Wilson!

If the people, through their government, owned all the industrial machines of production and distribution, which ownership of these machines would also give the people the ownership of ALL of the PRODUCTS of these MACHINES to USE in their HOMES and FAMILIES, this would settle the tariff right, and their government did all their banking at a cost of operation, this would settle the financial question of ever, but this would be Socialism, and Woodrow Wilson and all the democrats are fighting CO-OPERATION AMONG THE PRODUCERS, in the interests of the producer, and OPERATED BY THE PRODUCERS —Goode's Iconoclast.

SLAVERY'S ROOT.

"A few privately own and privately control for private profit the sources of the bread and labor supply, and the toiling millions are in chains. The product of their toil must inevitably flow into the hands of a class that never earned it. The workers, in spite of excessive labor, marvelous machinery and an enormous machinery and an enormous product, are reduced to comparative poverty in the midst of abundance. That is as plain as words can state it.

"Untold intellectual, social and moral degradations inevitably follow.

"No ecclesiastical organization, Roman Catholic or Protestant, from the Pope of Rome to the Salvation Army, or to Dr. Aked's First Congregational church, has ever yet actively sought to guarantee the right of the people to live in freedom and justice on God's earth. They have never sought to organize men in relations of brotherhood in the use of the earth's means of livelihood.

"You may join any church of Christendom today, even Dr. Aked's and Dr. Sawyer's and Dr. Barlingmay's, without it being a condition of your peace with God or your acceptance to membership that you are to work for social justice on the earth. The religious world has no enlightening conscience in terms of social justice.

"The supreme moral and religious task of every man and every organization that names the name of Christ is to establish social justice in the use of our economic equipment.

"Whatever righteousness, ethics, goodness, Christ-likeness or real religion is possible unto men on this earth, it must now enter into the world of economics and permeate it or reorganize it or moralize it. And since the world of economics is, as it were, our first field of existence, per our common, unavoidable world, here is the first domain of human social righteousness. This is the minimum requirement of the Christian life.

"Any religion or morals that ignores this is a dangerous delusion, a substitute, a counterfeit.

"By all the sacredness and possibility of the soul of man this question must now be confronted and settled. It is primary and fundamental. To ignore it is to betray the human race to respectable social robbery and legalized industrial tyranny.

"The man who does not want social justice in bread-getting wants no ultimate good of men. He that saith he loves God whom he hath not seen and yet loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, is a liar

"We have sought to live lives of individual piety in a medium of social unrighteousness. We have sought like spiritual ostriches to escape from the economic wrong and injustice by retreating into the deep depths of our souls, there to re-establish an imagined righteousness.

"We rob the poor by millions and return miserable doles for charity. We legally and religiously extract the blood of the toilers, and fuss around with our petty and contemptible philanthropic and peace offerings of conscience money. While a capitalist judge is sentencing a poor youth of 19 years in prison for the theft of a second-hand suit of clothes, a christian minister in a metropolitan pulpit is comparing the gifts of a multimillionaire trust magnate to the sacrifice of Christ on Calvary. C. F. Russell.

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Colored Man's Observations on the Birth and Death of Institutions.

(By John W. Gaines, Attorney-at-Law, Little Rock, Ark.

Certainly, you are quite correct; what we observe in the realms of economic, religion, politics, morals and mind, is merely the normal and logical sequence of what in time and space has preceeded. What is, is the issue of the inherent forces of nature, supervised, directed, shaped and governed by the universal, omnipotent and inexorable Law of Economic Determinism. This law has caused the birth and development of all human institutions; and, this law has likewise slain those institutions which are now buried. And, what is now called civilization consists merely of the conserved and centralized essence of what were once flourishing, but what are now dead institutions—a series of births and deaths of institutions.

Precisely, the only reason or excuse for the existence of any institution understood by man is that such institution promotes the highest human welfare. And, failing in this, such institution is slain by the law of Economic Determinism.

Man could never have attained the position he now holds in the economy of the universe, without having passed over all the institutions which are now buried behind him. Each institution has been a step, and a necessary step in the ladder on his way up; and, each step being necessary was sacred in its useful time. But, the step having performed its service, and thereby losing its usefulness as a promoter of the human interests, becomes a menace to further advancement of the race, and the result was that such institution suffered destruction.

Man, at the present time, has merely reached the first mile post, he has just arrived at the point where he is ready to move from the jungle of savagery, in his long and painful march to real humanity, to real intelligence, peace, plenty, happiness and the Reign of Righteousness on this earth. And, in the course of his future development, as in former times, under and by virtue of the operation of the law of Economic Determinism, man will continue to discard those ideas, ideals, customs, laws and institutions, which no longer best conserve the interests of the human race; and, in their stead, will establish such ideals, laws and institutions, as will best conserve these high ends. Therefore what institution understood by man may be reckoned eternal?

Thus, it is all very clear, in all matters human, what was very wise, useful and very good yesterday, may all be very foolish, harmful and very evil today; and this is precisely the case with the institution of the private ownership of land. There is at this time no more use, reason or human helpfulness in the existing system of the private ownership of land, than there would be in the private ownership and monopolization of the atmosphere. And the longer continuation of this institution is a standing menace to social order and to human progress.

There are now in the United States, approximately three million able-bodied men in compulsory idleness; practically seventy per cent of the people have no homes of their own; children by multiplied thousands are forced by stress of economic weather to become road-winers; homes by the thousands are being broken up; the social atmosphere is thick with crime and vice, with wickedness and meanness, with wrong and oppression, with wan and insecurity, with strife and war and with prostitution and prostitutes of every grade, degree and kind; and, the institution of private ownership and monopolization of the earth is the prime cause of all these human ills. The system of private ownership and monopolization of the land is not simply gravely indicted, it has been duly weighed in the balance and has been found wanting.

Collective ownership of the earth is the chief remedy for the ills here mentioned; it means in very large measure the salvation of the people. Collective ownership of the land will immediately or remotely, directly or indirectly be a boon and blessing to all people; it will immediately and directly become a boon and blessing to the wage workers, to all the workers of the world—all who labor and are heavy laden; it will provide a good and comfortable Home, security, plenty, peace, contentment, happiness and complete opportunity for the free and full development of all the faculties of all members of the human race.

The collective ownership of land may and can be established by the working class of the world, in any of the civilized countries, at any general election, if the working class want it established, if the working class will vote for their wives and babies and for themselves. The working class constitute approximately seventy per cent of the voters of every country; and if they vote for want and misery for themselves and their families, instead of for plenty and happiness; then they alone are to blame; they have the political power to secure for themselves and for their loved ones all the good things mentioned in this article, but to secure these things they will have to vote for them—they will have to vote for SOCIALIST—then they —the workers of the world—will have all the good things herein described.

OKLAHOMA STATE NOTES

(By H. M. Sinclair.)

COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Jackson County.

There will be a mass convention of the Socialists of Jackson County at Altus on Saturday, February 17th, 1 p. m. Meet in the court house. Important business to be transacted at this meeting and requires the presence of all Socialists. Remember, this is campaign year and we must put our shoulders to the wheel if we ever expect to win. Don't forget the date and be sure to come. Call by Local Duke.—M. C. Alexander, secretary.

A girl of 12 to 14 years of age wanted by a comrade who is traveling on the road, to be company for his girl and stay with his wife when he is away from home. A good home and education for some homeless girl that will appreciate it. Write this office and your letter will be given the person who wants you.

Speakers Wanting Dates.

H. Grady Milner is working in the eighth congressional district Places in the following counties are wanted a speaker will write him at Woodward, Okla.: Cimmaron, Texas, Beaver, Harper, Woodward, Major, Woods, Alfalfa, Grant, Garfield, Kay and Noble. Terms, three speeches for $10.00, and entertainment.

"The Baby Orator" Challenges Senator McClintic to Debate.

Debs, Okla., Jan. 14, 1914.

Oles Stofer, Snyder, Okla.

Dear Comrade: I hereby authorize you to challenge Senator McClintic to debate any phase of the Socialist philosophy with me at any town in Oklahoma and further authorize you to offer the remainder $100 if the audience votes that he won the debate at the close.

I am eleven years old, was born in Spokane, Wash., Jan. 29th, 1903. Have attended school a part of three years and all of two years and am now in the fifth grade.

The only condition that I request is that I be given ten days from the acceptance of Senator McClintic to investigate his public life.

My father, Dr. R. D. Oakford, authorizes me to say that he will back me in making this challenge and that he will give Senator McClintic a crisp ten dollar bill the moment he steps on the platform on the evening of the debate.

I hereby authorize you to make this challenge and to print it in as many papers as you wish.

If Senator McClintic refuses to meet me in joint debate, please serve notice on him that I expect him to accept the belt and defeat himself the defeated champion of capitalism.

PAUL D. OAKFORD.

This challenge applies to any other politician in the state of Oklahoma.

Debs and the Southern Worker.

Comrade E. V. Debs will make twenty dates for the Southern Worker under some terms as the Appeal has made or sale of 1,000 subscriptions with admission ticket to the lecture attached. Everybody knows Debs. Now is your chance to have a big meeting. Write Preda Hogan, Huntington, Arkansas.

SLAVERS AND THE SLAVE MARKET.

Eleven young men of genteel appearance and persuasive manner were arrested the other day in a well known department store, and charged with attempting to induce the sales girls to leave the store for the purpose of leading immoral lives. Several of them received sentences of from twenty to thirty days in consequence, the testimony showing with fair clearness that they were agents of the "white slave" traffic.

The incident throws an illuminating light on the subject that has been so fiercely discussed since the department store investigation in Chicago, as to whether there was any connection between department store wages and "the easier way" of living for women workers.

These young men, it may be confidently asserted, had not read deeply on sociology or diligently pursued the voluminous reports of committees of investigation on this particular subject, but they knew where to go just the same. When looking for possible stock, they seemingly understood just where the most promising market was located. They at once, and with complete sociological unconsciousness, made the connection that has been so strenuously asserted and so vigorously denied. The detectives who arrested them, the magistrate who sentenced them, and the department store officials who pressed the charge against them helped to make the connection still more plain. The sleuths take they made was not being in the wrong place, but in being caught. Like every other purchaser, the white slaver heads for the place where he can find the best and cheapest produce when he is after, and these scoundrels at once make for the department store as the most likely mart in which to procure their wares. It wasn't possible to deceive them. After being thrown out and warned not to come into the store back again, knowing that their best business opportunities lay right there.

An incident of this kind, it might be thought, would settle the question once and for all, but it won't. And the real reason is that the invasion of the department store by the white slavers was an attack on the competitive wage system and its workings, an attack that must be repelled at all costs, and will be so long as it is possible to defend the system of wholesale lying and the denial of open and palpable facts.—New York Call.

TRICKY WILLIE HEARST.

Recently Hearst's New York American appeared with a halftone reproduction of a photograph representing seven children standing in shallow water, with hands raised high above their heads, and above it these words, in display type:

"As proof of an almost unbelievable state of barbarity he found to exist in Mexico, Hiram Hastings Millward, an English traveler, fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London, sends the photograph shown here to the New York American. Parents of these children, Mr. Millward states, had been killed by Federal soldiers. The children were driven into the water, forced to hold their hands above their heads and shot in the back. The tide carried their bodies away. Note the terror in the face of the one child who partly faces the shore."

That picture, with the lying comment, was a fine example of the manner in which the Hearst papers manufacture evidence when it is wanted for any special purpose, whether it be to stir up war with a foreign country, or merely to blacken the reputation of somebody.

The same picture was in the New York Tribune of September last, last year, with the words, "Carib children bathing," which was a correct description.

The New York World of the 25th instant reproduces the picture as it first appeared in the Tribune, and also as published in the American of the 22nd instant. The World gives space to a communication from Russel Hastings Milward, above named, in which he relates that he gave the picture to a reporter of the American, after telling him it was taken in Little Honduras, and was simply an honest photograph of children bathing, with arms uplifted in order to show their good muscular development.

Evidently the only atrocity in this matter was committed by the American in its vicious attempt to deceive its readers and so help to egg on a war with Mexico, for the benefit of Hearst as a large landowner in that country.—Coast Seaman Journal.

THE ROUTE OF CONTENTMENT.

Vincent Astor, multimillionaire through unearned increment, sympathizes with the men and women who, for little pay, do the hard work of the world; but no enough to rattle off their backs. As Algernon Lee says:

"Mr. Astor has never known what it is to lie awake at night, thinking how to get food for the next week for himself and his family. The problems of wages, overwork and unemployment are purely theoretical with him."

They are with most of the privileged class. That is why they are not look to members of that class, however sympathetic and personally estimable, for leadership.

Henry Ford, who has been through the mill, comes closer to meeting some of the needs of leadership; but he, too, falls down at a critical point. He speaks of labor as being in the partnership and is remarkable for the generosity with which he is willing to divide the profits.

But this kind of a labor partnership is a partnership in profits, not in control. He shares money, not responsibility.

Clearly labor must work out its own salvation. However well meaning, no holder of privilege can do the job by benevolent endowment.

Do you want to see labor contented? Then help to set it free—help it to own the industry.—Cleveland Press.

MEMBRANE OF AN EGG IS GRAFTED TO HUMAN SKIN

Membrane from the inside of an egg can be used with as good results as human skin in skin-grafting operations, Dr. Stanley Newhouse, Kansas City, told a county medical meeting and offered a 5-year-old boy as evidence. The youngster was badly burned in a gasoline explosion. Skin from the inside of an egg was used with splendid success in restoring the missing cuticle.

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How a Young Lawyer Won a Suit and Fell in Love

By R. A. Dague, Author of Henry Ashton, etc.

(Continued From Last Week.)

When the day for the trial of the case arrived, Clarence, the young and unmarried son of Samuel Walker, and a member of the firm, appeared as counsel for Deacon Nelson. A jury was impaneled, and the case called. Wm. Taylor, the plaintiff testified that on a certain day he bargained and sold to George Nelson a horse for a consideration of $65.00, taking Taylor's note for the amount due in 90 days from date. The note was long since due and was unpaid; that he had demanded payment of the same but Nelson refused to pay. He identified the note on file as the original written instrument.

Clarence Walker now called his client, Deacon Nelson, to the witness stand. After taking the usual oath, to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, Mr. Nelson said:

"Yes, gentlemen of the jury, I bought the horse and gave my note for him as claimed by Bill Taylor, but one day I met him and paid the note in full and tore it to pieces. This promissory note he has filed here is a forgery. Taylor is a rascal."

In the way of rebuttal Taylor's lawyers called several writing experts to the witness stand who testified that they were familiar with the signature of George Nelson, and that they believed this note of $65.00 bore his true signature and was genuine. This testimony made Deacon Nelson very nervous and tapping his lawyer on the arm asked him in a whisper to retire to a rear room for consultation. Lawyer Walker asked and received permission from Justice Clark to leave the court room for a few moments. On closing the door of the consultation room, Deacon Nelson excitedly said: "By thunder Walker, them bookkeepers and bank man and politicians was the chief cashier experts have played the old scratch with us haven't they? It looks bad for us, consarned if it don't We will, I reckon, have to take some other track or I'll have to bribe one or two of them jurymen? I don't know but two or three of them. I believe we can fix that fellow Sam Vincent. Do you know any of them well enough to slip a "V" to him?"

"What do you mean?" said young Walker. "Do you admit that the note is genuine, and that you never paid Taylor, and that you have been lying to me and your attorney?"

"Yaas," responded the Deacon, the note is genuine. I have never paid a cent on it. I am going to beat Bill Taylor out of that $65 and I have got my plans laid to get possession of a mortgage of $1,250 that Jim Whipple holds on his farm. I don't like him. He is stuck up and thinks because he is educated that he is smarter than his neighbors and I hate that Taylor girl. She once insulted me and I propose to get even with the Taylor family; besides that, Mr. Walker, Taylor is an infidel and a populist and has too much political influence in our township. I intend to bust him up and run him out of the county. We don't want men like him—men who won't vote our ticket nor do anything for our church. Now, Mr. Walker, you are my lawyer and of course will be true to my interests. Here is a $20.00 bill—ten for you and ten to slip into the hands of one or two of them stupid jurymen."

Clarence Walker was for a moment stunned, shocked, was speechless. Finally he said with vehemence: "Deacon, you are not only a vile hypocrite, but you are a damned scoundrel. I despise you! I spurn you and I will expose you!"

Opening the door to the court room, trembling with emotion, young Walker said: "May it please the court I wish to announce that I am no longer the attorney for this defendant Nelson. I have withdrawn from the case. This is for the reason that he has just confessed to me in that room that this is his true signature; that this is a genuine promissory note; that he never paid a dollar on it to Mr. Taylor and that he has sworn falsely before this jury. I here and now denounce him as a perjurer, a hypocrite, and a villain. He ought to be in the penitentiary. I ask the jury to render a verdict against him for the amount due on this note and costs."

After making this thrilling speech, Clarence Walker put on his hat, picked up his books and walked out of the court room and proceeded to his office. The jury promptly decided the case for the plaintiff and the court adjourned. Deacon Nelson quickly disappeared and got out of town.

That law suit and the exposure of George Nelson, the prominent church man and politician was the chief topic of conversation in the village for several days.

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