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DENVER HACKMEN

DECISION OF JUDGE MULLINS OF DENVER IN THE SUIT AGAINST THE RAILWAYS - INJUNCTION MADE PERMANENT.

[Published by Request of Union.] State of Colorado, City and County of Denver - In the District Court - Abe Meeking et al vs. Union Depot & R. R. Co. - Opinion by Mullins, J. The Court:

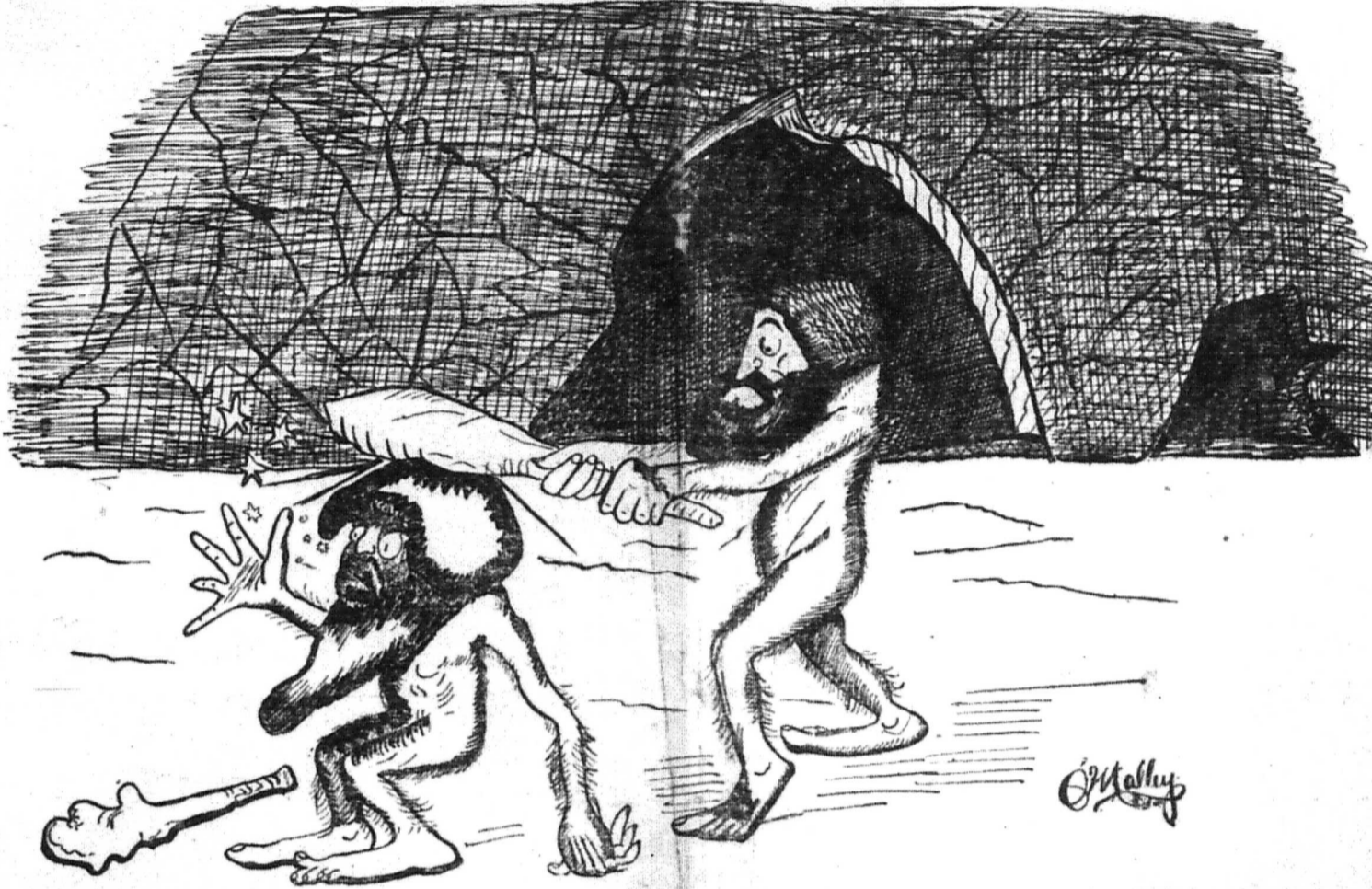
The injunction in this case was granted prohibiting the defendant company from preventing the plaintiffs entering upon the premises of the defendant company and occupying a certain part of those premises as a carriage or cab stand and carrying on their business within what is known as "The Depot Grounds."

It appears from the evidence in this case that on or about the 5th day of January, 1880, the city council of the city of Denver enacted an ordinance vacating and abandoning part of Seventeenth and Wewatta streets and the alleys in blocks 9 and 14 E & F, East Denver. It appears that in 1882 that the then chief of police of the city of Denver and the superintendent of the Union Depot Company designated a strip of ground about fifteen feet wide by fifty feet long on the east side of the stone walk leading from Wyncoop and Seventeenth streets into the Union Depot building as a hack stand, and that it has been used continually by the plaintiffs and other hackmen since that time. During the month of April, 1903, the evidence shows that the defendant company notified the hackman that they could no longer use this strip of land for the purpose of carrying on their business and ordered them excluded from the company's grounds. The plaintiffs contend that the ordinance vacating these streets and alleys was of no force and effect, but they have failed to establish that contention by the evidence. They further contend that a certain contract entered into between the defendant company and the Denver Omnibus and Cab Company tends to create a monopoly in favor of that company to the inconvenience of the public and leads to unjust discrimination against them in following their line of business. The evidence in this case clearly shows that hackmen and busmen who would have the exclusive right to solicit business from the incoming passengers have an advantage over those busmen or hackmen that are excluded therefrom, for the evidence shows that without the depot grounds there is no available place for a hack-stand within some hundred feet of the Union depot. It further appears from the evidence in this case that the defendant company intends to exclude not only the hacks of the plaintiffs in this case, but the hacks of the Denver Omnibus and Cab Company as well, and to substitute in place of them the cabs and the bus. Under such a condition it is certainly an inconvenience to the traveling public, especially those who prefer to travel in a hack instead of a cab or bus. I think the issue presents itself fairly in this question, has a railroad the right to confer upon one hackman the exclusive privilege of entering with its hacks its enclosed station ground to solicit the patronage of incoming passengers, and to exclude all other hackmen from enjoying the same privilege? This question has not been passed upon by our own court, but has been passed upon in other jurisdictions. There are two lines of authorities absolutely irreconcilable on this question, and it seems to me that the weight of authority and sound reason lie with those cases which hold that the railroad company or depot company has no such right or authority. This position is so aptly stated in the case of Washington vs. the State, in the 24th Southwestern, page 308, that I quote from it here:

"Quite independently of constitutional or statutory provisions it seems to be the prevailing doctrine in the United States that a railroad company may make any necessary and reasonable rules for the government of persons using its depot and grounds, yet it can not, arbitrarily, for its own pleasure or profit, admit to its platform or depot grounds one carrier of passengers or merchandise, and at the same time exclude all others. The question is one that affects not only the excluded hackman; it affects the interest of the public. The upholding of the grant of this exclusive privilege would prevent competition between rival carriers of passengers, create a monopoly in the privileged hackmen, and might produce inconvenience and loss to persons traveling over the railroad or those having freights transported over it, in cases of exclusion of drays and wagons from its grounds, other than those owned by persons having the exclusive right to enter the railroad depot grounds. To concede the right claimed by the railroad in the present case would be, in effect, to confer upon the railroad company the control of the transportation of passengers beyond its own line, and in the end to create a monopoly of such business, not granted by its charter, and against the interests of the public. These are the views urged in Hack Company vs. Scott, 24 Mich. 194, Railway Company vs. Langlois, 9 Mont. 419, Craven vs. Rodgers, 101 Mo. 247, and McConner vs. Pedigo, 92 Kan. 465. My attention has been called to a de-

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THE ORIGIN OF TITLE



PRIMITIVE MAN SETTLING THE QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP OF A CAVE WITH A CLUB. THE FORERUNNER OF OUR PRESENT CAPITALIST CLASS. WHEN GOVERNMENTS WERE ERRECTED THE POSSESSION WAS CONFIRMED BY STATUTES AND THE DESCENDANTS OF THE MAN WITH THE LONGEST CLUB AND THE STOUTEST ARM AND MOST REMORSELESS SPIRIT DISCOVERED AN EASIER, MORE PROGRESSIVE WAY TO ACQUIRE TITLE THAN BY ENDANGERING THEIR OWN PRECIOUS SKINS; THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY LEGAL ENACTMENT. THEN, BY DINNING IN PRESS AND PULPIT ABOUT THE MAJESTY OF THE LAW, THEY WERE ABLE TO PERSUADE THE DISPOSSESSED DUPES TO DO THE FIGHTING WHILE THEY SAT BACK IN PEACE AND COMFORT AND REAPED THE BENEFITS OF THE STRUGGLE.

NOTES OF THE AMERICAN LABOR UNION

The new stationary of the American Labor Union is making a decided "hit." Words of admiration and praise are sent in from all parts of the union.

The Wood Workers' Union of Victoria reports matters as most satisfactory in that organization; union growing nicely and everybody happy. Meetings second and fourth Fridays of every month at Labor hall.

The Custom Clothing Makers' Union of Chicago, which recently applied for an A. L. U. charter, has been in existence for ten years, and has always worked for the betterment of conditions of its membership.

Organizer Cameron reports the A. F. of L. representative in British Columbia as putting up a dirty, underhanded fight against the A. L. U. Wrigley and Cameron have both invited him to debate the merits of the two organizations, but without results.

Charters have been issued to the following: Ashland Federal, Ashland, Ore.; Bozeman Farmers', Bozeman, Mont.; Aspen Federal, Aspen, Colo.; Tailors' Union, Chicago, Ill.; Blacksmiths and Helpers, South Tacoma, Wash.; Hackdrivers, Victoria, B. C.

The mill owners of Southern California, smarting under the defeat at Crescent City, are combining to crush the A. L. U. When these things occur it is a proof that the A. L. U. is working on correct lines. The old style of trades unionism never bothered the manufacturer and never helped the worker.

Bozeman Labor Union No. 419 was organized on the 25th by President McDonald with a membership of sixteen. The membership is made up of all kinds of labor. The organizing meeting was a "crack-a-jack," enthusiasm and earnestness of purpose being the distinguishing features. A brilliant, successful career is predicted for this young organization.

The Butte Bar Tenders have at length decided that life was made for something else than working all

the time. Accordingly, a movement has been started for the establishment of an eight-hour day. No date has yet been fixed for the demand. No one who has not stood behind a bar for twelve long hours can appreciate what a strain it is. The bartenders are entitled to shorter hours even though the breweries should lose a cent a share in dividends, though selling cheaper beer.

The Western Montana Farmers' Council, corresponding to the trades assemblies in cities, was in session in Missoula last week. It was decided to make every effort to organize the entire farming population of the state into the A. L. U. Western Montana is already well organized, and it is hoped to accomplish the same results throughout the state.

The Sheep Shearers' Union is growing apace. New applications are coming in every week. A convention of this organization will be held in Butte about the 27th of July. It has been suggested that the representation will be on the basis of one delegate to ten members, with the provision that any member shall represent himself if he be present at the convention, but when so doing his vote shall be taken from the delegate for whom he may have voted at the election of delegates. Each delegate will have as his credentials the names of those who elected him and shall submit such list to a committee on credentials, who will compare the same with the membership book to determine the standing in the union of such voters.

The Women's Protective Union of Butte, went on record as demanding an eight-hour day. The employers submitted an offer to the union identical with that sent the Hotel and Restaurant Employees. After some discussion the matter was laid over to await the action of the brother union, the H. and R. E. U. Since the employers' offer was accepted by them it is probable the girls will also accept.

The Hotel and Restaurant Employees of Butte who declared for an eight-hour day to begin after July 1st have, after a conference with the

employers, agreed to accept the offer of the latter for a ten-hour day. The argument of the employers was that while the right to an eight-hour day was unquestioned, the drop from twelve to eight at once was too sudden, and did not give the business houses and the public a chance to adjust themselves to the change without severe loss. The cooks and waiters, always fair in their dealings, accepted this view, and ten hours will be the rule hereafter.

The members of the Western Federation of Miners at Morenci, Ariz., who were coerced into submission in their late strike by the federal troops of Teddy the Rough, will no doubt feel very proud of their Montana "brothers" who have proclaimed their intention of going to Washington, thus annexing themselves as a labor side show to the great hippodrome act of Teddy riding for a nomination.

The Farmers' Union of Missoula is growing. D. E. Bandmann, one of the directors, says the applications for membership have become so numerous that it will be necessary to hold a special meeting of the union on Saturday afternoon to admit these new members. Mr. Bandmann is enthusiastic over the work of the union and says that it will enable all of the farmers in that part of the state to get rich if they will do the right thing and keep their produce up to the standard.

Application for charter from the American Labor Union has been sent in from Aspen, Colo., by Fred G. Strickland, the eminent Socialist lecturer. At the recent state meeting of the Socialist party of Colorado a resolution was passed that Socialist organizers should exert themselves in every way to build up the A. L. U., and Comrade Strickland is complying with the letter and the spirit of the resolution.

The power of an aggressive union to benefit its membership was shown by the shearers at Dillon, where none by A. L. U. shearers were employed. Those who joined the union were given preference in every instance, in the four crews working at that place. As a conse-

quence of this the flockmaster received the benefit of a higher class of service than formerly, and the interests of trades unionism was furthered.

The Farmers' Union No. 298, of Missoula, held a special meeting on the 27th for the purpose of considering the advisability of using the A. L. U. label on their products. President McDonald, who was present by request, addressed the body. After some discussion it was decided that in future the red label should appear on all farm produce cultivated by union men; it was also decided that employment should be given only to members of organized labor.

At a meeting of the Teamsters' and Stabblers' Union of Anaconda held June 23, the following officers were elected: President, R. Flannigan; vice president, M. Stafford; R. S., William F. Crouser; F. S., J. K. Crawford; treasurer, T. P. Fitzpatrick; secretary, S. Emmons; guide, J. W. McFarland; trustees, Ad Zollman, W. D. Kendrick and I. N. Eaton. The installation of the officers-elect will take place on the second Tuesday in July, at which time there will be a social session.

Billings Laundry Workers. At our last meeting the following officers were elected: President, John P. Kelleher; vice president, Rose Blauer; recording secretary, Wm. Bland; financial secretary, Anna Schubert; treasurer, May Leghty; guard, W. A. Raines; sentry, Belle W. Worwer. ours in union.

PETER A. RIBB. NEW OFFICERS Elected by the Stevensville Farmers' Union No. 336, A. L. U.

At the regular election No. 336 selected the following gentlemen to handle affairs for the ensuing year: President, A. M. Baldwin; vice president, George Morr; recording secretary, T. S. Hames; financial secretary, E. E. Crueger; treasurer, J. W. Gadsdon; guide, Joe Woodruff; guard, A. Erath; directors, S. L. Haley, E. E. Crueger, J. W. Longley, James L. Caruthers, F. S. Hames. The postoffice address of all is Stevensville.

was developed which is unfavorable to Parks and tends to cast suspicion upon his business methods. Parks, through his management of three successive strikes, increased the wages of the men from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per day.

Samuel Parks, who is under criminal charges in connection with the Hecla Iron Works and other strikes, has been re-elected as one of the four walking delegates of the House-smiths' and Bridgemen's Union, New York, according to the final count, by the largest vote for delegates ever polled. Dr. Neiding, who fought Parks' re-election, was re-elected, but ran 250 votes behind Parks.

NEGRO PEONAGE

UNITED STATES GRAND JURY UNCOVERS STARTLING ABUSES OF THE NEGROES IN GEORGIA--THREE MEN ARRESTED.

On Thursday June 18th Judge Speer of Macon, Ga., called the United States grand jury together for the purpose of investigating the rumors of negro peonage in that county. In the course of his charge to the jury Judge Speer said:

"I have no purpose to give you elaborate instructions today. There is, however, one crime to which I feel in duty bound to direct your especial attention. It is claimed that in certain portions of this district there are persons who are forcibly holding in involuntary servitude others who are indebted to work out real or alleged indebtedness. This if true is intolerable under our system. It is equally obnoxious to the laws of the state and of the United States. Article I, paragraph 21, Constitution of George, provides 'There shall be no imprisonment for debt.' The Constitution of the United States provides that 'Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude except as punishment for crimes whereof the party shall have been duly convicted shall exist in the United States or any place subject to their jurisdiction.' It further provides 'Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.'

"There are few principles of our civilization more vital than these laws to which I call your attention. They indeed mark that evolution of the law which distinguishes our humane and modern system from the barbarous provisions of ancient times. There were periods in history when a debt or became the slave of the creditor. In the neighboring republic of Mexico there has been of force a system of what is termed 'peonage' by which the laboring classes in large measure spend their entire lives in the ostensible effort to pay off indebtedness due to their employers. This is but involuntary servitude. A peon is one who is bound to serve his creditor until the debt is paid. This is, however, distinctly forbidden not only by the principles of the state and United States constitutions already quoted, but by act of congress made in pursuance of the latter. This provides that 'Every person who holds, arrests, returns, or causes to be held, arrested or returned, or in any manner aids in the arrest or return of any person to a condition of peonage, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000 or by imprisonment not less than one year nor more than five years, or both.'

"In view of recent facts officially called to my attention I have the painful duty of giving you that provision of the revised statutes in special charge, and advising you it is your duty to inquire and ascertain if it has been violated."

A startling sequel was furnished to the charge of Judge Speer relative to peonage, and the grand jury will have an immediate opportunity to pass upon cases involving that offense.

Armed with the necessary warrants, United States Deputy Marshal George Thomas went to Hillsboro, Jasper county, and going out about a mile and a half from that place, arrested William Vernon Shy, Robert F. Turner and Arthur Grayson, on the charge of forcing and holding a negro farm laborer named William Walters, into a condition of enforced servitude or peonage.

The accused were conveyed to this city and brought before United States Commissioner W. E. Martin, Jr. Upon being arraigned, they pleaded not guilty to the charge.

The plaintiff is a coal black negro, about 25 years of age, and does not appear to be very well versed on the ways of the world.

Assistant United States District Attorney Akerman called him to the stand and assured him he need not be afraid to tell all he knew about the case, as he would be protected; that no harm should come to him.

Walters testified that he commenced to work for Shy about last Christmas time, and had agreed to work for seven months. Said he worked all but two months of the time, and then quit and went to work for Mr. Roberts in Jones county, near Round Oak. He said Monday, June 15, while he was working in Mr. Roberts' field Shy and Turner rode up and ordered him to come along with them. He testified that they made him leave the field and go with them; that they put him on a horse and took him back to Jasper county to Shy's farm. He state that when they got there, Turner held him and Shy whipped him and then made him go out and cut oats.

Said he was kept at work by Shy and was afraid to leave because they pointed pistols at him, and told him they would shoot him if he tried to go away. Witness said he did not want to go back, and didn't want to stay when they took him back.

On cross-examination, witness said that when Shy and Turner came to the field near Round Oak after him, Turner drew a pistol and pointed it at him, told him if he didn't go back they would kill him. He said he didn't want to work for Shy, because he did not treat him right, and that he stayed when they took him back because they made him stay.

Pink Walters, wife of the plaintiff, testified that Shy and Clawson came to her house about 2 or 3 o'clock in the day and Shy asked her where Will

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The Collegiate Scab

John Spargo in The Union Sentinel.

It is pertinent, we think, to observe that the frequent instances of college students scabbing in various parts of the country must be regarded as a significant and ominous comment upon the character of the education which our great universities are giving. As the faculty, so the students. The student scab is the logical product of a prostituted and commercialized system of teaching.

When college presidents declare that scabbing is true heroism, what else may we expect but that ambitious students will scab? The fact is that in education, as in all things else, the capitalist class

train an army for the preservation of the despotism. The shameful action of the students of the University of Pennsylvania in scabbing against the carpenters on strike at Franklin Field is at once a shame to themselves and to the nation; and a sure sign of the terrible menace to our national liberty which the capitalist control of our educational system involves. That they should have deliberately elected to take the place of men who were on strike for a mere living wage, when the only "public issue" involved was the erection of a grand stand or two for the fall games; when there was no great public "inconvenience" by which they might seek to justify themselves, is eloquent evidence of the animus they bear toward organized labor. Trained snobs at best, no joys are too dirty or humiliating for them. Robbery and jobbery in high places always find snobbery to be a valued ally. One thing is quite certain, that it is the duty of every working man and woman to strike these collegiate cads and strike breakers with the withering contempt they deserve. No matter how meritorious any of their performances on the sporting field may be, their every appearance should be made the occasion of such demonstrations of contempt as they richly merit. No plaudits for their athletic skill, but ostracism for their uncalled for and inexcusable hostility to labor, should be the policy of the workers whenever these students appear.



controls. Paying for that control there is none to dispute their right to have taught just what pleases and suits them. The master class of this industrial despotism is striving to

live by shutting others away from the sources of life. There are only two ways in which the struggle between labor and capital can end. Either capitalists must own laborers or labor must own capital. The first was chattel slavery, the last vestiges of which were wiped out in the bloody torrent of the Civil war. The second is the co-operative commonwealth, the next stage of social evolution, when capital, now grown too complex to be owned individually, will be owned by all laborers collectively.

What Is a Scab?

By A. M. Simons

No word in the English language is held in more abhorrence than the word "scab." No other cry will so quickly rouse all the fierce passion of a worker. No other name carries so deep disgrace. Why is this? What has the man to whom it is applied done that renders him a creature of such contempt? "Only taken a chance to work," says the average newspaper. "Acting like a free man," says the capitalist apologist. Judge, police and public press rush to defend him. All the engineers by which "public opinion" is ordinarily made, declares that he is an honorable man.

Does it not now become plain why the scab is, of all the traitors the world has ever known, the most damnable? He betrays an army whose members are his fellow workers and whose cause is his own. He betrays men and women and babes to a lingering death in city slums and factory dens. He curses unborn generations with the slaves' portion. He damns a race to continued bondage and fastens fetters upon babes yet unborn.

Nevertheless, the trade unionist, who is usually all too willing to let these people make up his mind for him in all other things, persists that of all the creatures that cumber this earth the scab is the most contemptible, the most despicable, the most to be hunted out. Cross-questioned, he will admit in theory that the scab has a right to hunt for a job, but the next time he sees the scab trying to exercise that privilege he fires a brick at him. And he is more nearly right in the last than in the first instance. For the scab is truly the most damnable object our present civilization has produced. But while down in the depths of his mind the laborer who is worthy of his name, recognizes this, fact, it would puzzle him to give a "reason for the faith that is in him."

Let us look at it this way. Society is today divided into two great classes, between whom there is and must continue to be, while capitalism shall last, eternal and bitter war. The one class, who own and control all the means of life, the government, the press and platform, are compelled by competition to seek continuously to reduce the other class to the point of mere existence. There is no room for philanthropy in business. The capitalist who buys his raw material, his machinery and his labor power the cheapest, can alone survive.

The laboring class, who perform the work of the world, must sell themselves to the ruling class. They can not produce independent of the owners of the machines, mines and factories, because under competition only the cheapest producer can exist, and cheap production demands the best, most expensive and complicated machines. They are compelled, because of the fact that social progress and private property in improved machines is making vast numbers of them unnecessary in the process of production, to fight among themselves for an opportunity to live. If they are to rise an atom above the slaves' portion, they must unite and fight side by side against the class of exploiters.

Let us look a little closer into this struggle. It is a guerrilla fight. At times all the forces of capitalism are concentrated upon single divisions of the workers. Again the ranks of labor are scattered by some act of social advance. A new machine destroys an entire trade. A change in production causes an industry to disappear. Then it is that men find themselves cut loose from the old ties that have bound them. Their union and the trade it represents are alike a think of the past. Wife and babes are clamoring for food. It is easy to say that a man had better die than scab. Many a man has said this, and meant it, too. But how about the little ones? When they are starving, that is another matter. And so another man finds himself between these two horrible alternatives. Shall he betray his class or his family? And who shall judge him if he cries of those who are nearest to him sound leader than the appeals of class interests and trade loyalty?

Every man, therefore, who is not born into the class of capitalists, is born into the army of wage workers. He is forced from the day of his birth to become a part of a mighty army arrayed in this never ending class struggle. He does not enlist as a volunteer. He does not even have the chance of the lottery drawing to escape the draft. He is enrolled by the very fact of birth. His entrance into the world without property carries with it the articles of enrollment among the wage slaves.

Look again at this class struggle. What is there in it that forces these horrible chances upon men? Is there no place where all can unite? Is there no place where the fight can be waged without offering such frightful temptations to treason? If all the workers have a common interest against the possessing enemy, why is there not some point where that interest can be expressed? At the ballot box the line can be drawn clear and distinct. Here the fight can be fought to a finish, and here is the only place where complete victory is possible.

Here then is war into which the combatants are drafted by the inescapable law of birth. The wage of battle is life and death. To the work. But in this battle one straggler can ruin the cause. All must stand together or the battle is lost, for wages are fixed by what the weakest can be forced to take, not by what the strongest may demand. A desertion from this army then is the most deadly of treasons. It is as if every man had the key to the fortress

Here there is no excuse for deserters. No alternative of starvation confronts them. It is the strategic point where desertion is the most dangerous and treacherous the most despicable. It is the place where the most telling blows can be struck, the place where the worst treason can be perpetrated.

Here alone can a victory worthy of the name be achieved for labor. But a single battle need be won upon the political seas to end the whole long, horrible war. A victory for labor at the polls would mean that the workers would then take possession collectively of the things necessary to produce wealth. All would then be part owners of capital. None could

live by shutting others away from the sources of life. There are only two ways in which the struggle between labor and capital can end. Either capitalists must own laborers or labor must own capital. The first was chattel slavery, the last vestiges of which were wiped out in the bloody torrent of the Civil war. The second is the co-operative commonwealth, the next stage of social evolution, when capital, now grown too complex to be owned individually, will be owned by all laborers collectively.

Capitalists have long recognized the much greater importance of the political struggle and spend infinitely more energy in securing traitors here than what they will expend at the workshop. But strange as it may seem, the laborers have not yet come to recognize the treachery of the political scab. A man may still vote for slavery and be accepted with honors among union men. But if he attempts to accept that slavery for which he has voted, at terms against which his fellow slaves are in revolt, he is at once the target for all possible manner of attacks.

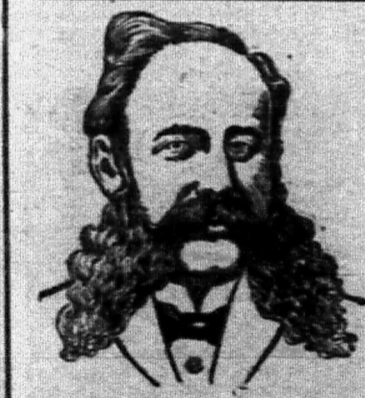
Is it not about time that union laborers got over this inconsistency? Is it not almost time that the greater crime is seen as well as the less? When laborers once come to realize that by ceasing to play the traitor at the ballot box they can abolish all scabs in the workshop; then there will be some consistency in their attacks upon the poor devil who sells out his fellow slaves for a chance to eat and live. But when they do come to their senses in this regard they will find no scabs to attack anywhere.

The telephone line men along the entire Pacific coast are on strike for an increase in wages. In Tacoma they are demanding the Seattle scale of \$2.50. The total number out is estimated at not less than 1,500 men. Seattle is the only town not affected.

The press dispatches state that the German Socialists scored a decisive victory at the recent election, in spite of the opposition of church and monarch. Great credit is due the German women who worked as incessantly for the success of the cause as did the men.

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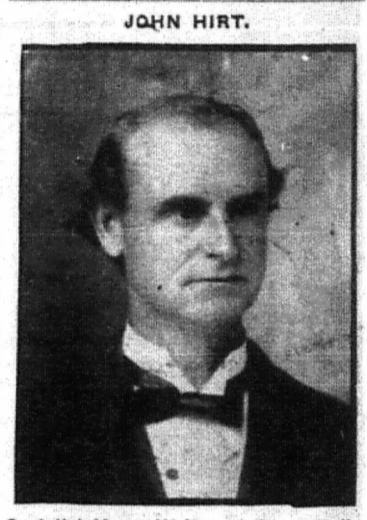
The Mission of Socialism :: Written for The Journal by Henry M. Daniels of Akron, O.

Editor American Labor Union Journal: True Socialism means much—it means the emancipation of the human race. The Socialist and his party are simply invincible, because there are millions of Socialists in this country, and all that is necessary is to wake them up and let them know where they belong. I consider it the highest honor ever conferred on any man to be recognized as one of this great body of patriots to be delegated to hold the light of liberty on the shores of freedom as the party begins the work of placing the final star in the crown of civilization.

I gladly hold aloft today the banner of the free—the insignia of a better government, a freer people, a banner which represents principles of equal and exact justice on a higher plane than the world has yet known; grander in thought, in living and achievement—the best principles of the best men who ever lived, either in the old world or the new; principles which our fathers deftly wove into the constitution of the United States. They take up the cause of the weak as against the strong; the cause of the oppressed as against their oppressors; the cause of organized brain as against organized greed—and, in fact the cause of humanity, which is indeed the cause of Christ.

Since the beginning of time there seems to have been a struggle constantly going on between the weak and the strong, the rich and the poor, the good and the bad—and all has been in the direction of absolute freedom. The aspiring tide in the great heaving bosom of humanity seems to rise and fall like the mighty waves of the deep. When Christ came this tide had reached a very high point, and again found its expression on a still higher plane of thought and action on the shores of the new world when the Declaration of Independence was signed. And I believe the time is near at hand when the absolute freedom of all peoples of every clime and nation will be an established fact. Liberty, fraternity and equality are the three grandest words in the language of men. Through fire and sword and din of battle, through evolution and revolution has been borne to us this banner of the free, and it is our duty to keep it waving on high. True freedom is not an accomplished fact. You know it and I know it, but we should do all in our power to approach it. We want to be citizens of a grand nation; we want to live in a land where love, justice and mercy is such an abiding force in the hearts and minds of the people that the welfare of its very humblest citizen will be the earnest and anxious concern of all; we want to live beneath a flag whose folds will insure to every subject full and complete protection and under whose colors all humanity is held so priceless as to command the respect and admiration of the world.

The Socialist party is the only party ever organized for the purpose broad enough and unselfish enough to stand for every holy principle that ever animated the breast of man—the cause of humanity in its broadest and fullest sense. It is a party with a platform as broad as the human race, and guarantees to everyone all the fruits of the labor of hand or brain. We are doing what little we can to hasten the coming of the day when society shall cease producing millionaires and tramps, gorged indolence and famished industry, faithful labor in rags, and scheming idleness robed and crowned. Today we raise a warning voice



JOHN HIRT. Socialist Verse Writer of Great Falls, Mont.

against the avaricious few who wish to nail this great body of humanity to a cross of gold. We are looking for the time when the useful shall be the honorable and when freedom, justice and liberty shall be stamped upon the world's heart and brain in such glowing letters that the humblest can see and know that his rights will be respected and his welfare protected, and that his confidence will be held as a thing too sacred to be abused by the servants of the people. I do not believe it tends to make men and women brave and glorious when you place shackles on their brain and purse; when you ask them to toil and sweat, but not to think or know or fully share in the profits of their labor; to make them mere ma-

chines to do your bidding, and thus bury their individuality in their endeavor to eke out a miserable, scanty existence. What we need is not only the perfect independence of a state or nation, but something far more glorious—the absolute independence of the individual. The thinker, the inventor, the mechanic, the laborer, should all keep in view the fact that they are members of one great family—one great power in this nation, and must be, and of right ought to be, the only recognized rulers of this earth. It should be the desire and the privilege of every honest man—of every child of nature, to stand on an equal footing with all the rest; to be able to say, this is my country, my field and brook, my sunshine and air, and I have a right to live and aspire, enjoy prosperity and revel in luxury as much as any man or class of men on the face of the globe.

Why, if we keep on doing as the capitalists tell us, we will soon be slaves; if we keep on doing as the politicians tell us we will become lunatics, and if we keep on voting as our old party friends desire, we shall lose what little freedom we have. The Socialist party is a party of progressive ideas, inquiry, and investigation. In throwing off the galling chains of the present we shall free the future. We claim that manhood is worth more than gold, that all should enjoy equal privileges of education and social advantages, and that when a child is born he should come into the world on an equal footing with every other child of whomsoever; and that a government which does not guarantee this is not worth preserving.

The real question at issue before the American people—before the world is equal rights, and I shall continue to be invincible Socialist that I am until truth shall make all free and equal. No man has, or ever will, deny equal rights to others who is not a rascal, and at heart a thief; nobody ever denied the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness except a villain; it has been denied by the money king robbers and traitor statesmen only.

To the people, the producers, justly belong the reins of government. They produce everything that is produced; then who shall say what becomes of that which is produced except the producer? If we ever gain our industrial freedom it must come through the mighty power of the ballot; if class lines are ever obliterated in this country the workers must wipe them out with their votes. There is no other way out. I only hope the comrades everywhere will be filled with perpetual enthusiasm, so that the campaign will be continued and still greater victories will not be far in the future.

Human Machine Under Capitalism :: Written for The Journal by Wm. Bonstein, Ouray, Colo.

While traveling through the great mining states of the west, several instances and observations came to me that stamped indelibly on my mind the terrible atrocities and absurdities of capitalism and individualism. On arriving at Salt Lake City, the first thing that met my gaze was the shining statue of the angel Maroni standing as he was upon the most costly structure of the Rocky Mountain states. And close to it, but not so conspicuous, was the buildings where the Mormons congregate, called the Tabernacle, and Endowment building. And at the junction of South Temple and Main street there is a statue of Brigham Young, the individual to whose memory and emoument they were erected. While looking on these things along comes some small boys who make their living by selling papers, and by all appearances, were in a state of pauperism.

And continuing on my journey I noticed the presence of a great many strong, able-bodied young men who were without work, without friends, and without all the things that make this life worth living, hand in hand with this I also saw old gray-haired women with their arms full of papers trying to sell them in order to exist. And so existing with this I saw men who were blind, looking for aims upon the street.

With these I also observed young women and girls working their lives away in all kinds of manner in order

that they might not seek that lowest of all low levels, prostitution.

With these conditions surrounding the working class, I observed the luxury of the idle parasites who live in the finest hotels, ride in their automobiles, inhabit the beautiful park and have a general good time at the expense of the worker.

Any observer who will visit a modern city will notice the vast amounts of goods appearing in the shop windows, which can not be bought by the working man, as they are costly, or in other words, the price is not in harmony with his pocketbook. Now, what is the cause of this condition of the working man which denies him the good things of life? It is caused by the method of social production and individual ownership of the product, which is the profit system and whereby the workingclass are made to produce, above what they receive in wages, rent, interest and profit, to the idle few.

And these idle few in their vain efforts to keep down the unemployed problem set the worker to produce something for their idle wants. Here is the cause of the vast amount of factories, producing the things the workers can not buy, which spring into existence. But even with these and the making of railroads and the developments of mines, and the production of new machinery and costly St. Louis fairs, has not been sufficient to keep down the unemployed

problem. Why? Because the worker now receives in this country 16 per cent of the \$1 he produces, and in a more or less degree this is so in all capitalist countries of the world. And as our profit monger in this country vainly tries to dispose of his ill-gotten goods to other countries, there he finds others of his kind in the world's markets. He is forced to shut down some of the fields of employments in this country, as you notice in the trustified industries.

And as long as he is living a life of luxury he cares not for the tolling millions who are suffering in free America, because they have produced too much for him, the capitalist to dispose of with profit.

While at Cimarron, Colo., I observed a notice stuck on the door of the office to the round house, a request to all the railroad employes to save their coupons of subscriptions to the Times, and give them to a man named Smith, who lives in Denver. The notice reads as follows:

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Those Who Must Use Should Own :: By H. H. Caldwell

"The Socialist party is first of all a working class party. Its objects are to form the working class into a political organization which shall be controlled by the rank and file of the party and financed by a dues-paying system, so that the control of the party may remain in the hands of the working class. As the Republican and Democratic parties are financed by the capitalists to a large extent and not at all by the working class, you can naturally see that a man who pays the fiddler can call out the tunes to him. The Socialist party desires to gain the possession of the powers of government, and to use that power once attained to nationalize industry under working class control. In other words, we say that the capital of the country has been produced collectively by the working class, used collectively by the working class, and should be owned collectively by those who use it. Yet today the tools of production are the property of the capitalists who do no work, but who spend their whole time working other people and who hold the lives and happiness of the workers in the palm of their hand, and also take from the working class all they produce over the cost of existence. The working people of today, by means of machinery that they themselves have

made and operated, produce 13 times as much goods per capita as they



E. S. LUND. Manager of the Salt Lake Industrial Labor Journal.

could in the year 1890, but they receive just sufficient to keep soul and body together, and all the increase made has gone to the people who own the machinery. "The working class can only become free when they gain possession of the tools with which they work through the political party of their own class. It is just as important that the workers should organize politically as that they should organize in their own craft. "The Socialist party polled in the year 1900, 96,000 votes; in the year 1902, 235,000 straight votes. They have many more sympathetic votes for members on the ticket, but they do not count them and consider a man who splits his ticket and votes for the capitalist candidate and the labor candidate at the same time as a man of divided opinion who does not really know what he wants. At this rate we can have a majority of all the votes in the country in 1908, but the coming industrial depression which is making itself evident at the present moment will through hunger cause many to think before that time."

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The Financial Record, an organ of the money world, in its issue of June 10th contains the following remarkable utterance with regard to the sort of treatment that should be meted to the laboring people of this country who have dared to disturb the peace of the financial world by demanding a larger share of their own production:

"LABOR, THE ONLY DISTURBER."

"The irrational attitude of labor unions is the sole disturber of the world's commercial peace, and the one standing threat against the prosperity of the United States. The evil has forced its own remedy in a general organizing of employers to resist the unreasonable demand of labor leaders and agitators and in the well-nigh complete alienation of public sympathy from the more aggressive unions. One of two results are bound to follow, either strikes will be abolished and permanent joint committees, empowered to decide all issues, substituted therefor, or else a season of strike law-making in line with the Connecticut bill, or even a more drastic character, coupled with wholesome enforcing of the law—with 'a whisp of grape' is necessary. Indeed, had there been less politics, less dallying with official duty and the law of the land, less balderdash and a more liberal expenditure of ammunition in the State of Pennsylvania about a year ago, it is quite likely there would be at the present moment no labor problem worth speaking of in the United States."

Had a labor paper suggested such ideas as are set forth above, had it advocated a "whisp of Grape" in the settlement of labor problems, the whole country would have rung with demands for its suppression. Had an official of a labor organization even hinted at such a method of treating capitalists he would have been imprisoned as a dangerous anarchist. Herr Most was jailed for not half as much, but the organ of the financial world, the conservator of the public peace, the apostle of morality—for the worker—dares to flaunt such a savage statement in the face of the world and, notwithstanding that several weeks have elapsed, not a single word of comment or criticism has been heard. Silence is said to give assent and the great dailies have by their attitude endorsed the blood thirsty demands of the organs of the banks and brokers of America.

Workmen, will you never realize you have nothing but contempt, spiked clubs and bayonets, riot cartridges and "whisps of grape" to expect from the class who live in idleness (save when they are devising schemes to rob each other, which they call business), while they plunder you and spit upon you.

Is there no class struggle, brother, when the forces which really control this government, the financial forces, are arousing their class to demand that the consideration that shall be given workmen in future shall be no greater than is now shown a mad dog. Blinded by their successes, made arrogant by their wealth, rendered heartless by their pleasures and debauched in mind as well as in body by their excesses, the masters of bread are digging a pit for their own engulfment and destruction. "Ye are many, they are few," and the sleeping giant of labor is already beginning to stir. Too many times have we witnessed the butchering of helpless wage slaves by the powers of government at the behest of the brutal money power. Too often have we listened to the wall of dying men and women at the hand of that government whose sole excuse for existence is the protection of those whom they slay.

They who sway the destinies of government have already tasted our blood and like the tiger they thirst for more. With the working class alone rests the determination as to whether those who have fattened on our labor, revelled in the debauchery of our womanhood, benumbed our intellects and gloated over the helpless wrecks they made, shall yet further enjoy the, to them, sweet pleasure of picking our bones and leaving them to rot in the sun. The workingman who does not stand shoulder to shoulder with his fellows in this struggle for our very lives is as guilty of the destruction of his fellows as though his own hand aimed the gun. Workmen of the world, unite. If the dezbels of the upper world must be provided for let it not be at the expense of you and yours. If the Herods of the financial world hunger for slaughter let them not glut their mad ferocity on us. If grape and caustic is to be the future arbiter in labor disputes look to it that you and yours shall not alone suffer. Human life is too sacred to be snuffed out wholesale at the wink or nod of the money god. It were a thousand times better that such creatures should cease to be than that a nation should be decimated.

Remember, though, that there is no law for the men who clip the bonds and pull the strings that control the action of our officials. Workmen must depend on themselves and themselves alone, if they would not wear their intestines on their arms as the result of capitalistic military attention.

"ALL OFF WITH THE SULTAN."

There is much food for thought for the American workingman in the following statement of the Baltimore Sun with regard to the attitude of the sultan of Turkey toward the possibility of a unification of purpose and the growth of fellowship among the people:

"The sultan of Turkey is one of the most accomplished press muzzlers in the world. He not only gags the newspapers, but reserves the right to suppress all editions of the Christian Bible which are not edited according to his notions. Recently a part of the New Testament was translated and printed for circulation in the sultan's dominions. It contained a passage with the exhortation 'Love one another.' The sultan's press censor examined the volume and ordered this exhortation to be eliminated. The publishers insisted that it was not reasonable, but expressed a sublimely beautiful sentiment. The censor wouldn't view it in this light. 'The sultan,' he explained, 'does not want his subjects to love one another, for if they do they will get together and that will be the last of the sultan. So long as they are influenced by racial and religious differences it will be impossible for them to combine against his majesty.' The passage was omitted and the edition was allowed to circulate in the Turkish empire."

The American capitalists have taken a leaf out of the sultan's book, but are more diplomatic in their method of applying his principle. Instead of suppressing utterances which might bring the workers together politically, they, through their own publications, seek to foster and promote racial, religious and political discord, for, like the sultan, they realize that when the working people once begin to act together as a unit in the political field, when they recognize the identity of interest among the members of the working class and the necessity for the overthrow of a system which operates directly in the interest of capital and in opposition to the rights of man, "that will be the last of the sultan."

Would you admit your employer to your union and permit him to run its affairs simply because he called himself some other name? But you send him to the legislature to make laws to govern you merely because he calls himself a Democrat or a Republican.

It is alleged that Chas. Schwab and Lewis Nixon "cleared" \$27,000,000 by unloading on the U. S. Shipbuilding Company a steel plant at several times its real value, and stockholders are threatening criminal proceedings. When the steel trust unloads its stock on the public "at several times its real value" it is regarded as perfectly legitimate, provided the suckers bite, but heaven and earth are expected to stand appalled when the biter is bitten.

Because negro laborers were employed a number of freight handlers on the Santa Fe railroad went on strike. The action was not supported by the union, and the men lost. These occurrences warm the cockles of the organ which does duty for a corporation's heart. It can be used so nicely to show the black man that there is nothing but hate and contempt for him in the unions, and thus induce him to scab. The white man who forgets that the interests of all workmen are identical, that LABOR POWER which the workers sell to capitalists can not be nationalized or racialized, is responsible, and he makes a most ridiculous blunder and provides much pleasure and profit for the capitalist thereby.

Old party politicians are constantly on the watch for workmen who can "control the labor vote." As soon as a member has been elected president of a local or district union he is in line for either a nomination or for favors from the parties who are seeking to use the laboring man. If the unions declare for Socialism the leader's occupation and his "craft" will be gone. Because he will have nothing to deliver. While the "no politics" system prevails the "influential" man will wax fat through his supposed ability to lead the membership around by the nose. Look over the list of those who oppose political action, and it is safe to say that 70 per cent are men who are holding, have held or hope to hold, (because of their prominence in some old party) political appointment.

The appeal to Reason will get out a million-copy edition in July. It will be a hummer in every respect.

The fellow who talks the loudest and the longest is not necessarily the wisest. Do your own thinking.

Exchanges report the Oklahoma Socialists as having changed to a daily. It is published at Selkirk.

Ghent, Belgium, has been added to the Socialist column by a vote of 10,000 as against 9,700 for the anti-Socialist league.

Bishop Matz declared in a recent sermon that Ed Boyce would burn in hell for eternity. But suppose Ed prefers to boil?

"In this country every man has an opportunity," but the opportunity seems to be to either die by starvation or the bullet.

The remedy for industrial ills, comrade, does not lie in every worker straining himself to become a capitalist, but in abolishing capitalism.

The Nebraska Independent will publish a Karl Marx edition on July 23rd. It invites contributions and asks writers to keep within a thousand words.

The delegates who are elected to the sheep shearers' convention should put themselves in touch with headquarters at the earliest opportunity.

The state of Virginia has furnished the street cars of Richmond with four militiamen each, who have orders to shoot to kill. What a glorious civilization is ours where workmen are driven by their necessities to imperil their lives in an effort to wring just a few pennies from the masters of bread.

Readers of light literature are protesting that the brand of fiction served up in the editorial columns of the Miner is sadly deteriorated. During the spring campaign it was brilliant in ridiculous improbabilities, lacking variety only in the subject treated and the invective used; today it is stale, flat and unprofitable.

The Idaho State Tribune is at last willing to admit that Socialism may be all right in theory, but protests that the system could not be inaugurated because a Socialist president and congress would be sworn to uphold the law. How are you going to do it? he asks. Why, that's easy Sovereign. WE WILL CHANGE THE LAW.

The United Mine Workers are opposed to cooperative stores in the anthracite region "because they depend on sympathy." If they would depend on themselves and help themselves they would not need the sympathy of any one. At this distance it would seem that it is the dealer and not the customer who would want that sort of thing.

Self interest is the greatest force in existence in directing and controlling the actions of men. Your unions are organized to oppose the aggressions of the employers. How unwise then is it to elect one of the employing class to a legislative office—for instance, in the hope that he will enact laws in your interest and against his own.

Shall old men be shot? is a question that is occupying eastern minds. Really, it would seem that in the interests of humanity such philanthropists as Carnegie and Rockefeller might devote some money to research for a more scientific, "human" way of getting rid of those who have been sucked dry by our vampire system.

Cheyenne, Wyo., has become infected with the Parry idea, and a branch of the Citizens' Alliance will be formed. Lay on, Macduff! Every step toward organization of the employers only emphasizes the existence of the class struggle and the unconquerable antagonism between the interests of the workers and those of the shirkers.

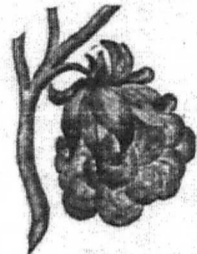
Just now the Canadian capitalists are trying to retard the growth of trades unions by raising the nationality cry. The effort comes too late; workmen realize that this world is their country and every man who toils, a brother. They decline to divide on questions of race or creed or nationality in their unions and they will soon unite politically. When that time comes just watch the wriggling of the capitalists.

No, Jasper; we don't hate the capitalist as an individual; we realize that he can not help being a capitalist any more than we can help being workmen—not as much in fact. Our denunciation is leveled at the CAUSE of capitalism, not at the individual himself. To be sure, there are some men in the financial world who are detested most heartily, but it is as individuals; their own acts have won them this.

Let him who regards the abolition of the wage system as a stupendous undertaking remember that it is not more so than was the overthrow of feudalism or the abolition of chattel slavery. Let him also remember that human chattels were wiped out by sentiment as much as by economic conditions; that Socialists are not relying on sentiment, because the trend of industrial affairs are such as to demand the change, and that if every Socialist agitator was blotted out tomorrow the movement would still go on. "The stars are with us."

Many men denounce the scab in unmeasured terms who are themselves guilty of the rankest kind of scabbing—betraying the interests of their class at the ballot box. While some college men and others of that ilk of scamps, snobs and scoundrels are scabs from choice, many others are driven to the dishonorable act by the pangs of hunger. No such excuse can be offered for him who votes the power to his employer to destroy his union by legal enactment and make his membership criminals in the eyes of the law if they make the slightest effort to benefit themselves or improve their condition. The political scab is "a bad one."

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DENVER HACKMEN

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decision on file in which there is a contrary holding of this. It appears in this decision, as I read it, that it is based on the theory that new economical appliances, inventions and mechanical improvements are everywhere being utilized to promote man's individual interest, and that the substitution of the express wagon and buses of the Denver Omnibus and Cab Company for the express wagons and carriages of the plaintiffs in such a displacement of old methods by new, and such a step in advancing progress as to justify the loss of opportunity of the excluded hackmen and expressmen to do something for their own welfare or improvement. While I believe in the theory of the displacement of old methods by the new, still the facts in this case do not warrant me in finding that the methods of the Denver Omnibus and Cab Company are any improvement upon those in vogue by old individual expressmen and hackmen. In fact, it appears to me that in some instances they are not so good, and that the public convenience is better served under the present condition of affairs, by reason of the competition in the style and character of the carriages that are furnished, the readiness with which the public wants are satisfied and by fair competition keeping within reasonable bounds the charges for transportation.

It has been contended by the defendant that the plaintiffs in this case are actuated solely by mercenary motives and that the convenience and comfort of the traveling public is but a secondary consideration with them. That may be so, but I presume that the considerations prompting the Denver Omnibus and Cab Company to attend to the public wants spring from no holier purpose. The desire to obtain an honest livelihood and to satisfy human wants and desires is the main-spring of all human action. Judgment will be entered accordingly for the plaintiffs and the injunction will be made permanent. JOHN I. MULLINS, Judge.

Next week the Journal will publish an interesting article by Fred W. Montrose, of Denver, on "No Politics in Trades Unions." The subject is discussed in an able manner and will amply repay the time spent in its perusal.

Ed. American Labor Union Journal.

Dear Sir: Brother, the following resolution was passed at a regular meeting of Tonopah Miners' union No. 121, W. F. of M.:

Be it resolved, That we, the Tonopah Miners' union No. 121, W. F. of M., unanimously proclaim Ralph Wardell an enemy of organized labor in general, and the Tonopah Miners' union and the W. F. of M. in particular, on account of his malicious and unwarranted attacks on this union and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of that resolution be spread upon the minutes of this union and a copy be sent to the A. L. U. Journal and Miners' Magazine, together with his description.

Description of Ralph Wardell: Six feet tall, light build, about 175 pounds, small dark eyes, slightly bald in front and at present employed as foreman for the Tonopah Mining Company. Press Committee Tonopah Miners' Union No. 121, W. F. of M.

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NEGRO PEONAGE

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was. She said she told them she didn't know. Witness stated that Clawson replied: She stated that later Shy, Clawson and another man she didn't know, came to her house in the night and called her, and that Clawson called to her husband to get up. She said she asked: "Who's there," and some one told her to get up and strike a light, and would give her five minutes to do it. She testified further, that they told her if she allowed they would bore a thousand holes through her. She said she told them she hadn't any matches, and had to make up a light with lightwood, and that they told her to throw on more wood. She testified that when she opened the door, Clawson came in with a pistol in his hand and searched the house but did not find her husband. Mr. Eli Pounds, a farmer living near Round Oak, Jones county, testified that Walters' wife rented a house of him in April. He said some of Walters' folks told Shy had not given Walters any ration since he had been working for him, and wanted him to write Shy a note that some of Walters' folks were sick and needed him. He testified that about a week after that Walters came to his place and he told him that he would give him work by the day when he had it. He said Shy and Clawson came to his place about three weeks ago and asked him if he had a nigger down there on his place by the name of Walters. He said he told them he had not seen Walters since the Sunday before.

He stated that they wanted to know where Walters' wife was. He said he told them they couldn't come into his field and take a man off; that it would take an officer to do that. He stated that they came the second time, and after that he didn't see any more of them till last Monday, when they rode into a field where he was working. He stated that Shy asked him if Walters was there, and he told them he had not seen him since Sunday. He said he told them if he was there they had no right to take him, and Shy replied: "If I can find him, I'll make a desperate effort to take him." About an hour later, he said, he saw them ride by his house with Walters on a horse behind Shy. He said he was not close enough to see whether Walters was tied or not. A farmer living near Round Oak, testified that he was down in his field, some distance from where Walters and other hands were chopping cotton, when Shy came up. He said he asked Shy to light, and the latter said: "I haven't time. I am looking for a runaway nigger." Witness stated that Shy claimed he had a written contract with Walters and had come to take him back. About that time Turner rode up from the direction of the field where the hands were chopping cotton, and said to Shy "Let's go and get him." Shy told Turner he came to tell witness of his contract, and that he replied, that's all right, he supposed they had legal authority. After that witness said they rode off toward the cotton field and presently they returned with Walters. He called out: "Hello, Will, what are they doing with you?" Shy told him that the negro wanted to speak with him. The negro said to him, "Mr. Roberts, I want you to pay Mr. Shy what I owe him." He asked Shy how much it was, and he replied \$32.50. The negro said it was not so much, and Shy replied: "You're a d--d liar." The negro claimed it was only \$12. It was near dinner time, and he start-

ed for the house, and Shy told the negro to drop his hoe and get in the middle of the road.

The negro asked if he could not get his dinner, as he was hungry, and Shy told him: "No; get in the middle of the road." The defendants gave bond in the sum of \$1,000 each for their appearance.

The United States statute under which the parties will be tried reads as follows:

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One thing that I notice that amuses me and at the same time urges me on to greater activity for the A. L. U. is the fact that none of the newspapers of the country will print any news of the A. L. U. or W. F. of M. and they never say anything about the U. B. of R. E. strike in British Columbia. Even the San Francisco Examiner is the friend of the laboring man only for the money there is in it. The democrat's idol, W. R. Hearst, is sharply fighting the trusts in order that he may get the president's chair at the next election. His papers are the most dangerous enemy the working man has to deal with. They are continually howling at the trusts and other public matters for the purpose of blinding the people's eyes and keeping their minds off the real issue. You cannot smash the trusts as they are an economic necessity of the present day and the first step toward Socialism. The trusts are an example of Socialism for a few people at the expense of the many. What we want is one gigantic trust for all the people, every person doing their share for the commonwealth. Brothers, the only way to get this is at the ballot box—quit scoffing on election day and vote for your own interests. Vote the Socialist ticket. We have just applied for a charter for a Socialist local at Tuolumne. We expect to build up quite a membership here. We now have three locals in this county. Next election we will have a Socialist ticket in the field.

The A. L. U. convention at Denver has made a lot of history the few days it was in session. It has placed before the world one labor organization that is class conscious and unflinching, ever marching on to victory, and never looking back, but continually pushing on to the laborers' ultimate goal, the co-operative commonwealth.

A call for a state convention of all the A. L. U. locals and affiliated bodies in California will be issued soon for the purpose of perfecting a state organization. We are now at that point where it is necessary for us to get in closer touch with one another and increase the work of organizing for the A. L. U. Our interests are identical

and most of the mills in California are working 11 and 12 hours. We must have better conditions soon.
HERBERT S. LEVINS,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Sequoia Union, A. L. U., No. 274,
Tuolumne, Cal.

BUTTE WORKINGMEN'S UNION.

More Initiations—Relief for Heppner—Elliott Recovering.

Editor American Labor Union Journal: Having again been called upon to act as secretary this evening, it again becomes my pleasant duty to correspond with the Journal.

I am glad to report that Brother Martin Elliott is reported by our south side sick committee as being on the rapid road to recovery. He was away for some time, and while away was operated upon. For a time we were afraid that his sickness might result seriously, but he is reported out of danger now, and we hope to soon see him around again.

Nine good men were initiated and given their first lesson in what unionism means. We hope and believe they will not forget that lesson, and that they will always be true to the obligation, and never be found wanting when called upon to prove themselves. We also accepted four other brothers from other unions on transfer cards.

This being the night for the nomination of officers there was considerable time taken up in that way and many candidates were placed in the field for the various honors. Many of them, however, will be apt to decline to run, but they are not allowed to decline the nomination until the night of election. We expect to have a harmonious election, as usual, and in most cases the elections are apt to be by acclamation.

Sisters Hopkins and McDowell, of the Women's Protective Union, honored us with their presence, and it is needless to say we were very pleased to see them in our midst. While we may not entertain so royally, since we are by no means an organization of "society lions," nor perhaps be so polished as would a body of business men or other "high guys," we assure our brother and sister union people that nowhere in this little world of our will they be more welcome than in the Workingmen's Union. We believe that the union people should visit back and forth much more than they do, and by so doing we would come in touch with each other, and hence be

more in sympathy, and we would be better union men and women. Brother Richard Ryan, a member of Nine Mile Union, Stark, Montana, was also with us, and under the good and welfare made some very appropriate remarks. Come often, sisters and brothers, we are always glad to welcome visitors, and if in the rush of business you should be overlooked, make yourself known and get acquainted.

The sad misfortune which has overtaken some of our countrymen at Heppner was mentioned, and without any hesitancy No. 5 contributed her mite to relieve the distressed. Twenty-five dollars was donated to be sent at once through the mayor, and it was easily seen that there were several hundred toilers ready to share their earnings if it became necessary to feed, clothe and shelter these needy ones.

Fearing that I may have somewhat exceeded the limitations in length in making my report, I remain,
Your fraternally,
CHAS. W. DEMPSTER,
Acting Secretary N. 5, A. L. U.

PROGRESS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Ed. American Labor Journal.

The lecturing tour of Benj. F. Wilson in the Boundary district of British Columbia, which terminates tonight at Grand Forks, has been an unbounded success. To say that the people here, including the Socialists, are surprised, is to put it too mildly. Commencing on a people both stolid and indifferent, his methods were unsurpassed. With stern denunciation of the capitalistic system, terse anecdote, witty remark, crushing logic, and appeals to the innate sense of justice of his hearers, coupled with some of the finest pathos and masterly description of the appalling condition of life under the cash of capitalistic greed. He awakened first interest, then amusement, then feeling, and finally the most overwhelming enthusiasm for the cause which was so masterfully represented by this talented man, whose compelling power is so much felt, because the unselfish love of humanity radiates from every utterance.

Both wings of the capitalistic party are flapping dolorously like a buzzard in a blizzard, and little doubt is now left in our minds that we shall triumphantly elect two Socialist members of the legislative assembly

of Victoria in the September elections, one for each siding. God send more men like Wilson. Fraternally yours,
W. H. BAMBURG,
Sec.-Treas. Phoenix Trades and Labor Council.

AFFAIRS AT RENO.

Ed. A. L. Journal.

Reno, Nev., June 10.—The Washoe County Labor Union No. 403 was organized one month ago yesterday, on May 9, by Brother W. A. Burns, of Virginia City, Nev., organizer for the A. L. U. and also the W. F. of M., two of the most progressive unions I have ever had the pleasure of belonging to. Well, to be brief, will say that Reno and Washoe county are a splendid field to organize in if a man had the time to give to it. If we had an organizer here for just about thirty days we could almost unionize Reno completely. The A. F. of L. is going backward. Eight months ago they had eleven charters here in Reno, and today they have only five. The rest have disbanded. I will enumerate some of the crafts and callings that are without organizations: Bartenders, cooks and waiters, bootblacks and porters (and there is a large number of them), the teamsters, laundry workers, machine shop employes and foundry workers. Eight or nine crafts unorganized, which would make a total gain of from three to five hundred for the A. L. U. if we just had an organizer here. Of course, the Labor Union No. 403 was organized for brickmakers of Washoe county. But we have been taking into our membership every one that we can get. Only two or three brickmakers are on the outside now, and in another week we will have them. Our union is growing nicely, and the boys are getting in trim for a vigorous campaign in the near future.

Hoping that we will have a Journal correspondent in our union before very long (and we will see that he does his work well for the benefit of the Journal) I remain

Fraternally yours,
CHARLEY GRAHAM,
Secretary-Treasurer W. C. L. U. No. 403, A. L. U.

Any comrade having a copy of the American Labor Union Journal issue of April 30th will confer a favor by forwarding same to J. Edward Morgan, 2255 Arapahoe street, Denver, Colo.

Our Propaganda Brigade

Comrade Schoverling, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is down for a year.

Brother Larner, of Billings, fires at our target four times and every time a score.

Comrade Sledge, of Gainesville, Fla., has joined the ranks of Journal hustlers.

Brother Watson, of Park City, sends twenty-one more names to be added to our mailing list. All yearlies.

Comrade Hall, of Korbelt, Cal., is down for a year's diet on food for thought of the Journal's own especial brand.

Comrade A. F. Lewis, of Santa Barbara, Cal., is another marksman who hits the bull's eye. Two tallies to his credit.

Comrade Lehr, of Chicago, is down for a bundle of cartridges, just to show the "cops." they have no monopoly on these playthings.

Comrade Whited, of Kansas City, Mo., is building up a magazine and newspaper route and will include the Journal among his favorites.

Comrade S. W. Sullivan, of Fresno, Cal., disposed of a dozen postals in ten days. He says he is working where it will do the most good.

The Journal misses "them things" that Comrade Skirving contributes. We trust the comrade is not ill; he is a splendid worker in the cause.

Comrade Gamble, of Harrison, Ind., and Comrade Luckett, of Providence, R. I., have decided to use Journal riot cartridges for capitalistic extinction.

Ten subscriptions from Phoenix, B. C., shows how King Edward's boys are working for the coming of the "new time." Comrade Kobloth is the disturber.

"I can truthfully say that I like the Journal better than any I have yet seen and I have seen a good many," says Comrade Edward Kirby of West Virginia.

Comrade Martin Quinn, of Seattle, Wash., is out hustling for the cause of Socialism and spreading the literature of the movement. He likes the Journal and the Journal hopes others will do as he does—put their shoulders to the wheel and swell the

circulation of the Socialist papers until we have a daily in every hamlet.

Newport, Wash., fires in four yearlies. Brother Bixbee is the gunner. Every shot a bull's eye. Washington is a good state and the boys are trying to make it better.

"You will hear something drop in Washington, D. C., if you put your ear to the ground," says the rustling organizer, Comrade Adams, of Washington. Let her drop!

Comrade Murowsky, of Wilderming, Pa., and Comrade Fleet, of Washington state, are on our list, and they will be missed when the "cops." count up their supporters.

Brother Stacy, of Delta, Colo., sends in 22 subscribers to the Journal. Delta is making rapid strides for first place in the ranks of solid union towns. "More power to her."

Comrade Dedow, of Lindstrom, Minn., is a Journal hustler of more than average ability, and chuck full of enthusiasm for the new trades unionism, and thus the world moves.

Brother Evan Corkish, of Butte, sends in the names of fifteen weary subscribers to the Journal. We are out for one hundred thousand this year, and we are going to get them.

Comrade Robbins, of Upland, Cal., takes his in bundles of ten. He is an old subscriber and has not received his paper regularly, and wants to know if it has a "string" on it. No, comrade, it hasn't, but we are going to tie a "can" on somebody if our

boys don't get better service. Postmasters and letter carriers will please take notice.

Brother Egan, of Granite, Idaho, thinks we look good to him and sends in two subscriptions. We will help to abolish the "Bull Pen," brother, if you send the names along.

Brother Lucas, of Stark, Mont., and Brother Taylor, of Superior, are going to enjoy some good reading this summer and, being liberal-minded trades unionists, will pass it along. Next!

Brother Eugene Wengler, of Helena, Mont., sends in 27 names for enrollment on the Journal lists. They are coming in rapidly. At this rate we may soon indulge in colored pages and put on other airs.

Brother Crookson, of Jaffray, B. C., comes back to us again with five subscribers for the Journal. Let the good work go on, comrade. You are certainly doing your part, and we are straining every nerve to do ours.

Twenty-four subscriptions from Park City and more to follow shows that the Mormon boys are hustlers. Come again, Comrade Kidder, our subscription book is always open, and a fight for the right is a bonny fight.

The Journal subscription list is extending over the civilized globe. We don't like to work the North Pole for subscribers, but if the boys keep on rustling that will be the only place left, and we will have to "tackle" it.

Brother Hort, of Windsor, Cal., sends in two subscriptions. Patter-

son's territory is being encroached upon quite rapidly of late. Bye and bye his orders for paper at the scab mills will become so small as to cease to merit any consideration.

Comrade Loe, of Enderly, B. C., is rustling for the Journal. At the rate the Journal subscriptions are coming in from across the line one need not be surprised if some "statesman" attempts to legislate against "foreign" papers as well as foreign agitators.

Comrade Hockett, of Dayton, Ohio, has taken his coat off for the Journal. Hockett is a class conscious union man with no time for the labor leader who preaches "No politics in the unions," to the end that he may himself become the pet of politicians because of his "pull."

Comrade Haight is down for a dozen copies for distribution in North Dakota. An old party man circulates literature only during a campaign, and if he pays for it himself he usually has a fat office in sight. A Socialist works for love of his principles and he works ALL the time.

Comrade Murphy, of New Orleans, La., says that journals devoted to the interests of labor should have the unqualified support of every workman in the United States. Right you are, comrade, but the average worker does not appreciate this until he needs a friendly paper and has not got one.

Brother Otto Nejeley, of South Tacoma, Wash., sends in 27 Journal subscribers just to show Montana and Colorado they are not the only rustlers. One hundred thousand subscribers is our mark at present. When we get those, why then we will get some more, but perhaps we will be a daily by that time.

Comrade Spangle, of Fort Casey, Wash., is taking our prescription; if he likes it he will recommend it to his friends. We guarantee it to cure a bad attack of capitalistic nightmare in a thinking man in three months; those who do not think are hopeless. Select your patients with care, comrades.

"After reading the articles in the Journal by Turner, Christensen and Massey I feel as if I could take a jump and land in the center of a Socialist government. I expect to send in some more subscriptions. I would as soon go without my breakfast as the Journal," says Comrade Bibee, of Star, Neb. Hurray!

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The longest strike on record is not yet ended. The 2,800 men and boys employed in Lord Penrhyn's slate quarries in Wales went out two and a half years ago, and the settlement of the strike is now a question in British party politics.

The master builders of Pittsburg have reconsidered their determination to lock out the stone masons and bricklayers, and 10,000 men who would have been affected are again at work.

In the street car strike at Richmond, Va., six strikers were killed by company thugs, and the militia came out with a galling gun to take the cars to the barn. The Virginia workingmen vote to maintain a sullen capitalist class to starve them while at work and have the militia and a galling gun coerce them when they murmur, and then they talk of bettering their condition.

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Abolishing Trusts

By Eugene V. Debs

"The policy of the present administration of the national government in reference to trusts is being watched with keen interest and is exciting comment as varied as the interests that inspire it. From Wall Street and other financial centers the report comes that the menacing attitude of the administration toward combinations of capital is having a disquieting effect upon the market and that if unchecked, disaster is to follow. To such an

edification of the small capitalists who look trustfully to the administration to save them from the colossal combines that threaten them with extermination. If the alleged and oft-repeated opposition of Wall Street to President Roosevelt is to insure his re-nomination, it will doubtless serve the purpose for which it is intended. I know of no candidate more acceptable to the interests of corporate capital than our present president, and I therefore do

covering to keep him at the helm for another term.

"No thoughtful man could be foolish enough to suppose for an instant that the centralization of capital, essentially and inevitably the result of economic development, will cease at the command of any political administration. Capital is bound to centralize in one way or another, and the government that is childishly looked to for relief from its ravages, is, as a matter of fact, simply its creature and does its bidding, with unflinching fidelity. Every final decision of the Supreme Court will bear testimony to this undeniable fact.

"When the recent Court of Appeals announced its decision against the merger of the Pacific railroads, J. J. Hill said: 'We will appeal; we believe the Supreme Court will sustain us, but if not, the end in view will be accomplished just the same.' Here we have it in a small nutshell. The courts can decide as they please. There will be no competition between these railroads, but they will be operated in combination in the interest solely of the capitalists who own them and without the least regard for the welfare of the people.

"The people for the most part have yet to learn that capital is centralizing in trusts and combines not so much from choice as from necessity. It is an economic tendency that is irresistible and means that the competitive era is drawing to a close. The seeming opposition of the government will have the same effect in restraining this tendency as if its efforts were directed to prevent the Ohio, Missouri and Mississippi rivers from uniting on their way to the sea.

"As a Socialist I am opposed to all attempts to destroy trusts and crush out combines. Such attempts are foolish and sure to end in failure. Let the capitalists combine and centralize as rapidly as they choose and all the sooner will industry be organized and the people be ready to take control.

"As for the stock market, I have no interest in it and care nothing about it. My stock is all in the working class and in the coming social revolution which will transfer the trusts to collective ownership and control and make them the foundation of the Socialist Republic."



not blame the stock market manipulators in the least for their adroit manpout Morgan to the President's anti-trust crusade has been especially ex-

Your man cordially Eugene V. Debs

extent has the warning been urged through the public press—for the benefit of the people of course—that the solemn assurance is now sent forth that Wall Street is seriously alarmed by the fierce and relentless hostility of President Roosevelt, and that the great magnates and manipulators of the street propose to fight his renomination and defeat his aspirations to serve a second term.

"The indignant opposition of J. Pierpont Morgan to the President's anti-trust crusade has been especially ex-

A Street Talk

By Frank O'Hare

It must be evident that there is a great fight going on today. Who are the parties to this fight, and what is the fight about? Is it whether one man shall govern or not? That was settled 125 years ago when the rule of King George was abolished. Is it whether one man shall own another man's body? That was settled 43 years ago when we abolished the slave owner. Is it a fight as to whether one set of men shall own the other people's jobs? It is a struggle between labor and capital—between the creators of the world's wealth and those who own the machines with which the wealth is made. When the question was on as to who should own our government we didn't compromise. When the question was on as to whether one man should own another's body we did not compromise. The quarrel today cannot be compromised. It must be settled right, and it can't be settled until the people own their jobs.

Is this a new fight? It is the same question that was up before the workers of the Roman empire when the world's work was done by men whose bodies were owned by idlers. It is the question of the middle ages when the world's work was done by men whose land was owned by the idlers. It is an old fight in its third and last phase. The warfare has gone on as long as a part of the race controlled the toil of the other part. We are now at that

stage when it is not the man nor the man's land that is owned by a small part of the race, but where the tools with which the workers create the wealth of the world are in the hands of a class, who, through their ownership, are idlers. Is the warfare going on only in Toledo? What of Denver, Omaha, Kansas City and all the cities of the country and of the world? The warfare is world-wide and the struggle is on between all of the toilers of all the world lined up against all of the owners of all of the world.

But you say we have no classes in this country. My friends, you are lying in the past. When every man in this country was a worker he owned his own job and there were no classes, but that day is past. Ten per cent. of all the people now own all the jobs of all the rest. Can it be said that there are not classes when my son has not even the right to work and yours the right to give or withhold from my son the chance to work?

And we have class rule in the republic. Can we have classes without one class ruling the other class? Can a part of the people own the country without ruling the other part? Look at Rome and look at Ireland. It is different in America. Those who own the industries own the country. When the American working people owned their industries they owned the country. Today capitalists own the industries. It

is no longer our country. It is Morgan's.

Let us abolish classes. But can we abolish classes without abolishing the causes? Ownership of the people's jobs by a part of the people, ownership of the people's industries by a part of the people are the causes. How are we going to change it? With bullets and bayonets? These are the weapons of the idlers. We have votes. When the majority votes for what it wants the minority will hasten to give it to them. But you say, "Give us good men." Is the capitalist a bad man? Not necessarily, but it's a bad system under which one man owns another man's job.

This is supposed to be a republic. If the majority don't rule now we certainly have rulers. Let the workers get together and join hands in pulling up the flag over our mines, shops and factories and when the flag goes up let no man pull it down. Let it float over the workshop as it now floats over the prisons and schools, and when it floats there the prisons will be empty and the schools will be full. Let us be patriotic and pull down the black flag of private capitalism which makes the workers of the richest nation poor. That will end the age long class struggle. Let us own our own machines, then will not the industrious support the idle and no man will have a master.

End of the Republic---A Prophecy

It was long into the night, and sleep came to me after reading many direful things that are to come.

And behold a great multitude of men were there holding in their hand the many implements of labor, and all gazed aloft and remained idle and shook their other hands and cried retribution, or vengeance shall be ours, and they told of the Red Terror to come and of the guillotine.

And as I then looked aloft in the same direction, I saw the figure of Pierpont Morgan.

But he looked another way to the far east, and there I saw a million of men bearing long-range rifles, and they were being trained in modern military tactics, by white men, for, behold all this multitude were yellow and wore queues, and there were hundreds upon hundreds of white men there training those yellow men, both with quick-firing cannon and rifles.

Then I saw a new scene upon the sea, and there were gathered hundreds of ships in the harbor of a strange city, and the yellow soldiers went down into those ships by companies by regiments and by brigades, and behold, each as he went had in his hand an American dollar.

And those ships and those men and their guns all went away upon the sea, and came the way that many yellow men had gone before, to the land of the men who had the implements

of labor.

And there where six railroads met the sea went they, upon the land and were there taken upon cars, which thereupon swiftly made their way eastwardly, and for three days there were no telegrams or messages of any kind taken from thence eastwardly.

And behold much trouble and discord was there between the men of labor and they of money, and the men of money had the ordering of all things in that country, and the army of the white men met the army of yellow men and they turned about unto every city and upon every town where the men of labor were congregated, for, alas, those men of labor had no arms or ammunition, nor could they procure any, and thereupon the carnage was something beyond all that ever been.

Behold as at Haverly even, I saw ten thousand regiments of men, yellow and white, turn upon those men of labor and they did sweep and mow them down by thousands and by hundreds of thousands, and did hunt them one by one wherever they could be found.

And all the land was made a peaceful desolation, save it be the walls and cries of those widowed, and made fatherless, and then after three days the carnage ceased, and there were one million two hundred and fifty-two

thousand and odd among those that were slain.

And those yellow men were then set at work and those white men remaining were put under guard and told to work and to speak not at all, and so they did.

And those that owned that country took one among them and set him upon a throne and him they ruled also, for had they not long before told that "those who own this country are going to run it," and they did, and as I awakened the American Labor Union Journal slipped from my hand, and I was awake and behold the trouble had not begun as yet.

And I looked about me and lo there were thousands upon thousands of laboring about me, all asleep and all talking and uttering dire threats in their sleep, and I said, "Oh! Fools and blind, wake up, for here all about you I see the great School of Rough Riders now sent to China, and the many ships and the railroads, and millions of Chinamen drilling," but they would not waken, and I bethought me of the time soon to come when there will be no strikes, nor more talk of the rights of labor, but obedient Chinamen to do the work. For hath it not been said: "We are bound to down labor, and politics is a waste of time and money."

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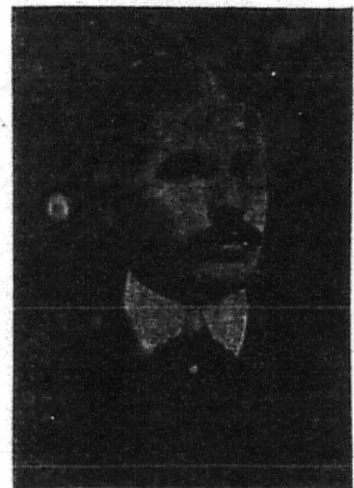
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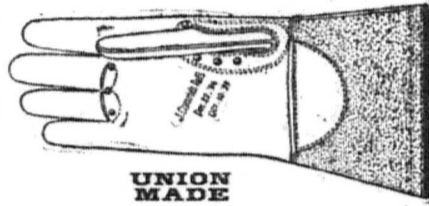
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What Is Stealing? A Comment on Matz' Reply

Written for The Journal By Fred Montrose

In replying to Bishop Matz' attacks upon Socialists and Socialism, as found in the Rocky Mountain News of June 15, I beg to state that I feel a sense of regret that the Bishop so far forgot himself as to become angry.

Investive and abuse never yet constituted an argument and is never the tool of a gentleman or scholar. The good Bishop calls Socialists "the rabble," "hoodlums," "the scum of the earth," etc., yet the gentlemanly, earnest and able reply of the American Labor Union and the Western Federation of Miners to the good Bishop stand as a criterion of respect and honor that the good Bishop can benefit by immensely.

Regarding the uncalled for attack upon Mr. Boyce, I herewith intercede for absolution for the good Bishop, and pray that Mr. Boyce will forgive the slap and turn his kindly cheek himself and his talents and his power for yet another from even the same source.

"A new commandment I give unto you that ye love one another." Regarding the apparent contradiction between the A. L. U. and D. C. Coates in the Chronicle, I desire to correct the mistake of the good Bishop and say that Mr. Coates was thankful to know that the good Bishop being cognizant of the justice of the Socialist philosophy, had lent to prostitute the cause of Socialism.

On the other hand the A. L. U. kindly and gently stated that they believed the Bishop to be a good, true Christian gentleman who, like many more, held a desire to criticize something that he did not understand, and in a kindly way desired to set the good Bishop right by stating in a clear manner what they did stand for. Yet I regret to see that the good Bishop sets them down hard by stating they were "thieves," "communists," "poor fanatics," and states that he knows (and the wish must be father to the thought) their souls will burn in hell for all eternity.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God, is this, that ye visit the widows and fatherless in their affliction and to keep yourself unspotted from the world."

After a review of the article from the pen of the good man of God, I find but one argument against Socialism, wherein the good Bishop declares, that Socialism is a sin against the seventh commandment, "Thou shalt not steal."

As we cannot find a definition of stealing in the Bible we perforce must go to a dictionary, which says that stealing is, "To unlawfully take away the private property of another without his knowledge or consent."

Assuming that the Bishop agrees with me that "A government should

derive its just power by consent of the people," who, then, is it that formulates laws and carries them into effect? Is it not the people? Assuming also that the Bishop agrees with me again, am I right when I state that the standard of right in respect to law is gauged by the condition of the public pulse. Then if all or the great majority of the people should vote for the inauguration of the Co-operative Commonwealth,

wrong becomes right, and the Church of Rome is one exception to this rule. If the bachelor or old maid or childless couple be forced to pay for the education of his neighbor's children, as we have it upon the statute books today, is that stealing?

If the courts of Rutland, Vermont, have confiscated the homes of the employees of the F. R. Patch Manufacturing Company in order to collect

church to which he may not belong thrive upon his toil and sweat; do you imagine this is stealing? No; I fancy I hear the good Bishop say, And why is it not stealing, Bishop? Yet I imagine I hear the many who read this say, Yes, it is that. "Ye blind guides: that strain at a gnat and swallow a camel."—Matt. 23, 24.

The bishop says that there is no natural law wherein all the earth was for the benefits of all the people instead of a few private owners, yet I would call his attention to the language of his co-religionist Michael Davitt, "Let me ask for whom the land of this earth was created? Class or mankind, landlords or people? If made for all, why should a privileged few be permitted to monopolize it and live upon the labor of the many. While poverty stalks abroad among the victims of man's injustice, giving birth to ignorance, immorality and crime throughout the world, and making life upon earth a living hell to millions of God's creatures whom He created to enjoy the comforts and blessings of nature; and again, the bishop states that in the beginning of time—I suppose he means when the human family wandering over the unused earth, subsisting upon wild fruit and nuts, etc.—there was no common property—land—but it became common property when some one legitimately appropriated it. Well, well, were this carried further on and applied to persons and things, what great tragedies of history rise before my gaze. From the days when slaves were hunted in the wilds of their African home to make millionaires or to propel the galleys in ancient Greece and Rome down to the massacre of the Jews in Kishineff last month, the tears and screams of the men and women and children not of an age ago, but of this very hour, reach me as I review that statement, human blood stagnated in the breast of want. Human needs in life's bitterest hour denied.

Legitimately appropriated, indeed. How fittingly it sounds for the bishop's purpose. How fittingly it sounded there upon the heights of Calvary upon that autumn morning long, long ago when the world was young and when a great crisis awaited the human family, whose brotherhood the victim would and did teach with His warm heart's blood.

How appropriate that sentence would have served the purpose then, tacked upon the foot of the cross. And how appropriate it is held to this very day in defense of a condition that provides a repetition of such crimes as that exacted upon the blood-stained heights of Calvary. Yet Bishop Matz is considered consistent. 2166 South Corona St., Denver.

COMRADE LE KAMP



Prominent in the Socialist Party of Colorado.

which is commonly known as Socialism at the polls in this country "Of the people for the people and by the people" would it follow that the principles of Socialism, as laid down in their platform, was desired upon the statute books as law. I cannot believe that the good Bishop under such conditions would become other than a law-abiding citizen.

judgment rendered by the courts against the union for damages occasioned by a strike. Is that stealing? Was the Boer war stealing? Is the sale of the Filipinos' home by the Spanish government to the United States government without his knowledge or consent, stealing, eh?

The title law of Europe, wherein the farmer is forced to surrender annually one-tenth of the proceeds of his little farm in order that the

Our Brother's Keeper

Written for The Journal by Henry R. Kearns, of New Jersey

At no time since Moses is represented to have gone up into the mountain to receive from the hands of Jehovah the tables of stone on which were graven the laws for the safe conduct of the race has a message come to man more heavily freighted with all that makes for right living than that proclaimed by the Socialist party.

The message, tersely put, is: "Workingmen of the world, unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains. You have a world to gain!"

Analyzed it would imply: 1. That there is something wrong, or there would be neither occasion nor call for organization.

2. That there is need of organization, for without it, workingmen cannot hope to attain the end for which they are urged to unite.

3. That they have lost their birthright, the world, and must needs regain it, and can only hope to do so by and through political organization and action.

4. If they fail of the accomplishment of their purpose they suffer no loss, as the chains of economic servitude cannot be riveted more securely or the weight be made more burdensome.

If they win, wage slavery, inequality of opportunity and all other wrongs growing out of capitalism will become a part of the hideous past, and they will have at their command a world to use and enjoy.

Is there a reader of the Labor Union Journal who doubts the need of the banding together of the class that toils? Do you question the loss of your birthright? Are you satisfied with existing conditions. Would you have these conditions continue? If you are comfortably circumstanced today, have you any guarantee that you will not be an economic outcast tomorrow?

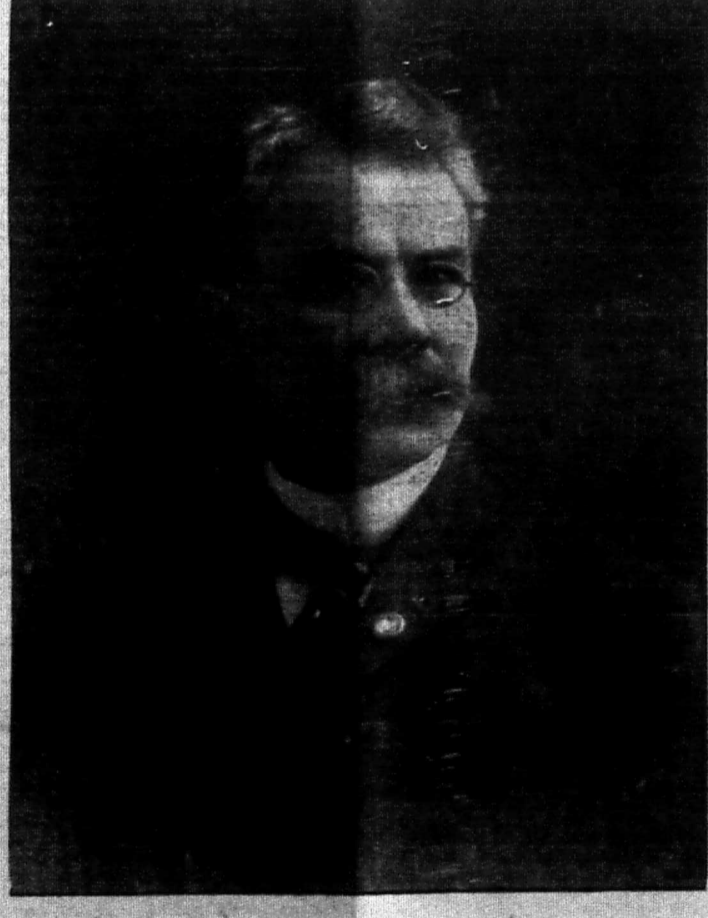
Have you a right to be satisfied to see one child born to luxury and another to poverty; one clothed in purple and fine linen and the other in rags; the one carefully reared, the other hanging on to life in a precarious way; the one highly educated, the other in ignorance; the one trained to the calling to which by disposition he is best fitted, the other forced by the close proximity of absolute want to take the first job he can get regardless of his mental or physical fitness or unfitness, and at whatever wage offered. The one taking a vacation whenever he so inclines, the other forever with his face to the grindstone, and if he loses a day he does so at the sacrifice of his pay and often at the peril of his job; the one having liberty, leisure and means to travel, the other forever haunted by the meagerness of his wages and the fear of losing it, is forced to seek the shortest route from his habitation to the workshop that he may promptly begin his task of profit-

making for the idler the moment the whistle blows. The one throwing aside the cares of life to spend his declining years in restful idleness, the other forced to toil on until, when incapacitated by age, he is literally kicked into the gutter or hustled "over the hill to the poorhouse."

It is nothing to you that there are

the mill and utterly hopeless of better conditions, ekes out her scanty wages by the sale of her body to the end that it may be decently clothed? If misfortune overtakes you and the chances are a thousand to one that you will be poorer tomorrow than you are today, what assurance have you that your own child, and its mother, may

HENRY R. KEARNS.



State Secretary Socialist Party New Jersey.

well nigh two millions of tramps in the country—the vast majority of them tramps from necessity, not choice—and this vast army is used by your exploiters as a lever to force your wages down.

Is it nothing to you that your shopmate's daughter is compelled to go to

not be forced into the street and on to the town.

Has it not occurred to you that the little boys and girls in factory, mill and mine ought to be out in God's sunshine at play instead of being converted into cash? You must know that the woman is used to displace the man

But Sunday evening at the Auditorium capped the climax. Wilson ad, dressed one of the largest crowds ever seen in Greenwood at a meeting. As he proceeded to impeach the present system and enumerate the truths of Socialism, round after round of applause interrupted him. At the close of his address he asked all who firmly believed in the truths he had advocated to hold up their hands. Hundreds had their hands up in a flash. Comrade Wilson will speak at Phoe-

for profit. That she in turn is put aside for the young man or young woman, who, having fewer cares and responsibilities, will work for less and so increase the profit. They in turn are ousted to make room for the boy and girl to the end that even less money may be paid and the profits be made to more rapidly accrue. At the end of the procession are little toddlers who, God help them, have had hardly time to learn to lip the words "papa" and "mama," but they, whose sole aim in life is the accumulation of wealth do not hesitate to do murder, so these innocent mites of humanity must be offered up as a sacrifice to the god of greed.

All this is something to you. You are your brother's keeper. If you make no intelligent protest against these iniquities you are a partner to the crime and a murderer after the fact. If your ballot is behind the corruption in high places, the injunction and the riot gun, you are personally responsible and accountable for all the misery that ensues. I tell you, as with the voice of God, that you will have to go to the bar of eternal justice and answer for every soul that has gone over the great divide without a day of sunshine or a ray of hope. It is not enough that you be a dues-paying member of the union of your craft, that you solemnly meet and indignantly protest against the slaughter of the innocents and send delegations to the seat of government and petition for something you want and which you are not likely to get, or if you do get, is so distorted and mangled that you do not recognize it when it comes back to you, and if put in operation will work to your injury. Is there nothing this side of the whipping post that will bring you to a realization of the fact that in the very nature of things you have nothing in common with the class that exploits you? A gulf as wide and immeasurable as the depths of hell divides you. You cannot hope to win anything from them save at the ballot box or by force. God forbid that the latter course be forced upon us. We have yet time to win by the use of the ballot. Vote with and for the party of your class—the Socialist party. Don't scab at the ballot box. The man who fights his exploiter 364 days and votes for him or his tool on the 365th, is worse than the sorriest scab that ever lived. He is a moral and economic leper, and should be shunned as a thing utterly vile.

Don't fool yourself with the notion that there is ample time. You have the ballot now. Will you have it next year? Now is the time for action. Agitate! Educate! Organize! You have nothing but your chains to lose; you have the world to gain.

"He who would be free must strike the blow." Where do you stand? Are you for freedom or slavery? Answer at the ballot box!

nix Monday and Tuesday evenings and at Grand Forks Wednesday evening, when he will take the train for Spokane en route to Kalispell, Mont., where he will speak on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The Miners' Union and Socialists want Comrade Wilson to return to Greenwood on August 19th for the celebration of the anniversary of Greenwood Union, No. 22, W. F. of M. and again later in the election campaign. He is certainly a whirlwind.

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OHIO SOCIALIST NOTES.

The state headquarters force has been working overtime ever since the state convention, and the work is just getting arranged again into a systematic method. Plans are being laid for the fall campaign, and literature bearing the state ticket and emblem in addition to the regular propaganda material is being prepared for distribution from the state headquarters at Dayton.

The lecture tours for Caldwell and Kirkpatrick are highly successful, and excellent work has been done during the past week. Caldwell has held successful meetings this week at Conneaut, Elyria, Akron and Wadsworth, while Kirkpatrick has been holding forth in the southern part of the state at Jacksonsville, Corning, Newark and McMechen. Another man will shortly be placed at work, when it will be possible to reach every part of the state thoroughly before election.

Up in Canton, Ohio, there is a Socialist by the name of Charles Felger who dwelleth at 323 Prospect avenue. This in itself is not a distinction, but the point is this: He had made a beautiful National Socialist Party emblem which he transfers on to the backs of the comrades' watches "just for the love of the thing." The work is real art and those who are lucky enough to have a watch might have an emblem placed on it if they look pleasant enough, to Comrade Felger.

The street agitation has been started in Dayton and Comrades Lewis, Gardner, Hynes, Martin and others will be heard at regular intervals on the corners from now on. State Secretary Cretchlow has, so far

A HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY.

The Socialists of Helena, Mont., offered prizes for essays on the subject of Socialism, and Miss Margaret E. Leedy won first prize, which was \$10. We print her essay in full, as it will help to enlighten some of these old partyites. Coming as it does from a schoolgirl it would serve some alleged editors many errors if given close perusal, says the Judith Basin Times:

"Socialism is simply applied Christianity—the Golden Rule applied to every day life. It is a theory that a community of interests is the best form of society, and a scheme for equality among the nations.
"There are a great many people who have an idea that Socialism and anarchy are the same, but if they would only stop to think or even read, they could plainly see that they are entirely different. Under the present competitive system there will always be anarchists, but under Socialism, never. Hopeful men become Socialists and helpless men become anarchists.
"Socialism will open a way that will make life a delight. Under Socialism there will be no skimping, saving and depriving yourself of all the pleasures of this world. Without turning oneself into a miser or a hog, there will be enough for all who will do their share in public work.
"Under Socialism no child would have to labor, for all children would be kept in school until they had been graduated and trained in some useful vocation. In less than eight hours a day an adult worker would make all the wealth that could be consumed.
"Socialism will fill the earth with gladness which will give even the present rich more joy, without personal wealth, than all their wealth now-gives them. The rich will accept Socialism as well as the poor, as soon as they comprehend it.
"The whole aim and purpose of Socialism is a closer union of social factors. It is thus seen that Socialism proposes the highest and most perfect form of government by the people, of the people and for the people. Each one would have to do his or her own share of the world's work if they would enjoy the benefit thereof.
"Life was not made to be a struggle from the cradle to the grave. Under Socialism none would be overworked or underworked; there would be neither slaves or masters. Another thing that Socialism will do—it will elevate men and women to higher standards than has yet been seen on this earth, for their surroundings will be the highest conceived by man.
"Socialism is an ideal state of society, perfect in its adjustment; just in its perfections."

at least, had to forego the pleasures of acting on the "box" because of the official duties at the state office which require attention day and night.

John W. Martin, of Dayton, Ohio, has been selected by the local group to act as state secretary's assistant at the state office.

Father Thomas J. Hagerty spoke in Omaha, Neb., Wednesday, June 24, under the auspices of the Socialist Propaganda club, the regular party organization having refused to arrange a meeting for him.

Over twenty-five enthusiastic letters have reached state headquarters this week from unorganized towns in Ohio. All these letters breathe the same spirit, that of pushing the work for Socialism and extending the organization into new territory. The general situation seems to be greatly improving since last week, and there is certainly increased activity along lines of agitation.

The daily papers in Ohio are filled with stories to the working people about the Socialist victories in Germany. Following this they are all crying out that the Socialists of Germany are not of the Mars-La Salle type, but are like the conservative Democrats of this country. Yes, go! If this be so why such alarm? The conservative Democrats of this country have never given capitalism cause for alarm, yet capitalism is shaking at the very mention of Socialism today. Yea, comrades, verily doth we say unto you that the comrades of Germany and the comrades of America are alike and are part of the same organization of workers that is surely going to wrest from the capitalists the powers of govern-

DEBS ON U. B. OF R. E. STRIKE.

Cheering Words From the Old War Horse of Railway Unionism to the Struggling Comrades Across the Line.

Dear Comrade—I have been following with profound interest the strike of the U. B. R. E., as reported in the Clarion, and after reading the current issue, feel prompted to send this word of greeting and good cheer to the railway employes, who are so valiantly doing battle against the relentless and brutal Canadian Pacific corporation. It is gratifying to me, to note that President Estes and his striking comrades have the solid support of organized labor, except that part represented by the railway brotherhood. I understand the situation as if I were on the ground, and only regret that I am not near enough the battle ground to give an active hand to our struggling brethren. They are quite right in concluding that they are fighting for their organized life, and that in the encounter they have to contend against their own workingmen, who, under the direction of their class organizations, form an actively ally of the corporation for reasons which to the thoughtful man readily suggest themselves.
What a spectacle for workingmen to behold! To see a body of workers, the slaves of the same heartless corporation, divided, and one part of them, under the inspiration of a so-called "brotherhood," in active alliance with the corporation to crush their own brethren and starve their wives and children. Such treason to labor is well nigh unbelievable, and yet I have had that painful experience, and therefore understand precisely what the strikers on the C. P. have to contend with. They have but one hand with which to fight corporations, as the other has to be used to keep the "brotherhood" knife from cutting their throats.
In spite of all this, let the striking members of the U. B. R. E. stand solid and hold their ground, and let every loyal unionist of whatever trade or calling back them up, come what may, until the corporation is defeated, treason is rebuked and honest labor is triumphant. Your fraternally,
EUGENE V. DEBS.
—In the Western Clarion.

Quack Medical Companies.
(Jly Geo. W. Galvin, M. D.)
Boston, Mass., June 15, 1903.
Editor Union Label Magazine:
Sir—There are unfortunately many doctors interested in their patients only for personal and pecuniary motives. Such men regard the sufferings of the sick merely as stepping-stones to reputation and wealth, but the conscientious physician or surgeon who loves it can never entirely banish from his mind the appalling spectacle that confronts him in his daily work. A quarter of a century of active experience among unfortunates who through our hospitals only serves to strengthen the impression of horror at the degraded and degenerate physical condition of large masses of working people. And yet to the professional man, whose business it is to examine into the cause of disease and devise methods of preventing it, the reason for this diabolical state of affairs is not far to seek.
Disease is the natural result of the present organization of industry. It follows inevitably upon the long hours of toil in overheated, badly ventilated, foul smelling factories, mills, department stores and sweat shops, and is the final consequence of the maddening life struggle between man and the machine. Add to conditions of labor as they are today the vile atmosphere of insanitary houses, the slow, insidious poisoning of adulterated foods and medicines, and the ignorant use of intoxicating liquors, tobacco and snuff, in a vain effort to stimulate vital force and regain lost muscular energy, and it is not difficult to understand why the hospitals are crowded.

Everyone knows that the working people make up by far the largest portion of those who seek medical aid at public institutions. It is the producers of wealth who come in the largest numbers. It is the men and women who go to work in the dark and return in the dark to cold, cheerless abodes where the comforts of home are in many cases unknown, the poor and sick who are condemned to fight an unequal bat-

tle that the capitalist and middle man may reap 84 per cent of the fruits of their labor.
Some come with hope for relief depicted on their countenances, others with that look of disappointment and grim doggedness so often seen in the faces of those who have done their best in the unequal fight for existence, but have learned that hope, health, happiness, personal rights and aspirations have been sacrificed by the insane competitive system of the employer. The number of injured men, women and children whose careers as bread winners of the family has been cut short and ended by unguarded, unprotected and dangerous machinery would form an army. For them to attempt to sell their labor or to compete with a scab would be rank folly. They are now a job lot of human dependents.
There is another class of patients constantly increasing in number who are never seen in a hospital or a doctor's office until they have become discouraged, penniless and already verging on insanity. These are the misguided individuals who have been lured to their mental and bodily destruction by advertisements found in reputable newspapers and magazines or sent through the U. S. mail. The suggestion or idea never entered their minds that they were sick until they read what they supposed to be their identical symptoms in the advertisements of so-called medical companies. They read in the reputable free press of the country that the great special lists of the companies in question can cure all diseases that flesh is heir to, such as consumption, cancer, Bright's disease, diabetes, fits, blood poisoning, varicocele, rupture or hernia, lost manhood, suppressed menstruation, catarrh and naturally enough poor dupes seek out the offices to which they are directed. So it is that our honest, fair and independent press, with its political policy in the hands of the counting room, lures by its advertisements the unsuspecting victim into the clutches of those human vultures, the quack physicians. The newspaper of today have plenty of space for promoting the schemes of bogus gold, silver, copper, oil, and lead companies, get-rich-quick manipulators and quack doctors, but little space to devote to the achieving of its true idea so well stated by Wiltshire in a recent number of his magazine, in which he says: "The important work of the newspaper is spreading knowledge, protesting against injustice, encouraging public service by widespread praise, exercising in the affairs of the world the irresistible power of publicity."
The following is one of a thousand illustrations of how these unprincipled pretenders among the practitioners of medicine drive people into insane asylums. A young man came to my hospital and requested a thorough examination of his lungs. When I had made it I told him that he was absolutely free from lung disease of any kind. Unknown to me another doctor connected with the same hospital examined him and gave the same opinion. The man returned to me and stated that he had been examined by one of my medical colleagues and felt it his duty to acquaint me with the facts, and asked if I would give him another examination. I did so. I then told him that the best way to obtain an unbiased opinion would be for him to send some of his sputum, the mucus that accompanies a cough and is expectorated, to the state board of health, for a microscopical examination for tubercle bacilli, the germs of consumption. This man was bordering on the state of nervous collapse until he received the opinion of the state board of health, which corroborated my opinion. To show how these consummate scoundrels connected with quack medical companies will follow their victim, I enclose a letter which he received from the Koch Lung Cure Co.

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