By ALLAN L. BENSON

Our Candidate For President. S THE "workingman's friend", Mr. Wilson is something of a sight.

A friend worth having would not have signed, as Mr. Wilson did on June 3, of this year, a bill containing a clause authorizing the President, in time of war, arbitrarily to draft into the federal army all American citizens between the ages of 18 and 45 years.

A friend worth having would not have induced Congress to increase, by 25 per cent, the wages of 400,000 railway employes yet made no move to increase the wages of anybody else.

MR. WILSON has been caught playing politics. We Socialists rejoice that he helped 400,000 workingmen to get more wages. But if Congress has the power to increase the wages of a quarter of the men employed on railways, why has not Congress equal power to increase the wages of all those employed upon railways and why has not Mr. Wilson urged it to use its power?

Congress has equal power to increase the wages of all those whose products enter into interstate traffic.

Almost everybody's products are carried from state to state and are therefore as properly the subject of federal legislation as are railway wages.

Why did the President stop with 400,000 well organized men who were about to strike at a time when it would have embarrassed his campaign for re-election?

Why did he help get a 25 per cent wage increase for the trainmen who were well organized and turn his back upon the million railway workers who were not organized?

THE TRACKMEN have appetites that are equal, at least, to the appetites of conductors and engineers. The wives and children of the trackmen also have need of food, clothing and decent housing conditions. The trackmen are poorly paid—and unorganized. Did Mr. Wilson turn his back upon them because they are unorganized?

Why did he turn his back upon all other workers in the United States, except the highly organized group of 400,000 trainmen who were in a position to embarrass his campaign.

IN CAMPAIGNING in New England a few days ago, I spoke in cotton mill cities in which the average wage of tens of thousands of men is about \$7 a week for a ten-hour

These poor men could stand a raise in wages of about 400 per cent and still be receiving none too much. A wage increase of 400 per cent would yield them monthly wages of only about \$125, which is less than a railway engineer

Yet Mr. Wilson helped get for the highly organized railway engineers, who were about to strike, a wage increase of 25 per cent while he did absolutely nothing for the \$7 a week cotton mill operatives of New England, or anybody else.

THE SIMPLE truth is that Mr. Wilson is the same kind of a "workingman's friend" that Mr. Roosevelt was

Mr. Roosevelt, in 1902, "settled" the anthracite coal strike upon terms that were said to be highly advantageous to the coal miners and to the people in general.

On the strength of the political capital thus made, Mr. Roosevelt kept himself in office another term during which he posed as the "workingman's friend", and would have been in office yet if the Steel Trust could have put him

But the settlement that Mr. Roosevelt brought about did not prevent the coal miners from continuing to live in the same cabins in which they formerly lived and ending each week flat broke. They are still living in the same cabins, and I have seen those cabins within thirty days. They are miserable shacks. The little wage increase that Mr. Roosevelt brought about was quickly swallowed up in increased cost of living. But the public, from that day to this, has been compelled to pay enormous prices for anthra-

Mr. Wilson has no more "settled" the matter, even of the wages of the 400,000 organized railway trainmen, than Mr. Roosevelt settled the coal miners' wage troubles.

In the first place, it is by no means certain that the railway trainmen will ever receive the 25 per cent wage-increase that the Adamson law appears to give them. The law does not go into effect until January 1, 1917, and before it can go into effect, it will have to run the gauntlet of the United States Supreme Court.

Furthermore, Congress is not yet thru with this railway matter. When Congress reassembles, next December, AFTER ELECTION, the railway workers will not be treated so gingerly. Mr. Wilson himself has suggested a compulsory arbitration law for railway workers. It seems certain that Congress will pass such a law. Compulsory arbitration, of the sort that capitalist government provides, will about sound the death knell of the usefulness of railway labor or-

The simple truth is that Mr. Wilson has been caught playing politics to attract the labor vote. It is a very old game.

MR. WILSON'S real attitude toward labor is revealed by the fact that while helping 400,000 railway workers, he has ignored all other workers.

Mr. Wilson, like Mr. Hughes, is the servant of the capitalist class. The capitalist class wanted a draft law with which to enforce Americans to fight such wars as the capitalists may choose to enter.
Mr. Wilson, on June 3, signed such a draft law. He dare not admit that he has signed it, nor dare Mr. Hughes criticise him for having signed it. They are both silent because the interests they are serving require silence as to the draft law from each of them.

Also, note from the official figures at the bottom of this page the enormous military appropriations that Mr. Wilson, and both parties in Congress have saddled upon the country. They are the greatest ever made by any nation in time of peace. See how much greater they are than the appropriations, in 1913, of any nation now at war. Germany's appropriation for the year before the war looks small in comparison.

A tremendous vote for the Socialist ticket this fall is the only thing that will bring about the repeal of the draft law and stop the headlong rush of this country toward militarism and war.

MILITARISM has wrecked Europe. Unless the American people speak this fall, it will wreck the United States. The Socialist party is the only organization thru which the Amercan people can speak against militarism, because it is the only political party that opposes our great military appropriations.

ALSO, the Presidential candidate of the Socialist Party is the only presidential candidate who has even so much as uttered the words "draft law"—and I am shouting them at the top of my voice, while neither Mr. Wilson nor Mr. Hughes can be induced to admit that there is such a thing in this country as a draft law.

Help swing the red lantern before the approaching horror of mil-

Vote the Socialist ticket on November 7 next if it is the last thing you ever do.

ARMY AND NAVY APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CHIEF BELLI-GERENT NATIONS FOR THE YEAR PRECEDING THE WAR

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Germany	183,090,000	112,091,125	295,181,125
France	191,431,580	90,164,625	281,596,205
Russia	317,800,000	117,508,657	435,308,657
Austro-Hungary	82,300,000	42,000,000	124,300,000
Italy		49,550,147	132,478,147
Japan	49,000,000	48,105 <b>,152</b>	97,105,152
THE WILSON M	IILITARY A	APPROPRIATIONS	FOR 1917
United States\$	349,092,123*	\$313,384,389	\$662,476,512
*This includes \$2	25,747,550 f	or fortifications, \$20	,000,000 for a
nitrate plant, \$34,523,	000 for defi	iciency and \$1,225,04	3 for the Mil-
itary academy.			

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Speaking of "war" prosperity, our grocer tells us that the increased cost of food supplies is due to so much of the American product being exported to the warring countries. There is a socialist sermon in that.

Another message from Alaska. Comrade Steffanson writes "Enclosed find \$1 for the 1916 campaign fund. Put me down for four more to follow as soon as I can lay my hands upon

Almost every letter from a comrade who encloses a campaign contribu-tion expresses a regret that he cangive more. Quite a contrast to the bargaining with which the old party donations are made.

You party members and socialist voters! Is your enthusiasm for socialist success to be expressed only by marking a ballot? What kind of a sacrifice are YOU going to make for the good of the cause?

125,000 Socialist campaign buttons have been distributed. But we are going to get twenty times that many votes his fall. How are the rest of you, who are going to vote right, showing your colors?

"Socialist election law has the democratic organization of the entire state working and worrying," says
The News, of Oklahoma City, Okla. Let them worry. It is their turn now. The workers have been worrying long enough.

Some labor union locals are forbidden, by constitution and by-laws from giving contributions to any party. An increasing number of these however are sending in checks for funds raised by collections and sub-scriptions of members.

The republicans must be running short of thunder stuff, for they are falling back on the cld tariff issue for a campaign argument. This has been a grand old instrument for clouding over the real issues in a dozen cam-

Local Mishawaka, Ind., put on two of the campaign movie films. "The films are fine and clear and are creating much talk and discussion here", writes Hattie M. Hodges, chairman of the national campaign com-mittee. "I repeat it—the best ever" she adds.

Read the old party platforms. You will get a lot of fun studying them to see if you can find any issue. You will appreciate the socialist principles all the more when you have finished. All three platforms and a lot of other campaign reinforcements are in the 1916 Socialist Hand Book.

\$10,000 has been appropriated from the national campaign funds for the fight in Oklahoma, Nevada, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and the congressional districts of Comrades London, Hillquit and Debs. This means that some more money must be forth-

The gist of the report of the United States Industrial Relations Commission found its way for the first time into the Chicago Tribune the other day, thanks to a contributor Write leters containing socialist facts to the papers. Some of them may be printed.

Jawndee said recently that "St. were he alive today, would have been a captain of industry." We might believe him if he hadn't added, "Persistency is the cause of all success." It is significant to note, how-ever, that even Jawndee didn't have the face to say that Christ would have been head of a greedy corpora-

How many locals which have printed stationery use more than a formal port families. letter-head? Those which do not are passing up a great advertising op-portunity. Butte Local, N. D., reads "Stationery of The Workers who Denounce the Shirkers and Demand Justice and a Square Deal". Then follow clear and forceful definitions of Socialism and Capitalism.

Eight Socialist congressmen, one cent increase in wages, there seems Socialist in the United States Senate, no other conclusion than that they and a Socialist Mayor of one of our are worse off in 1914 than they were largest cities! Wouldn't that be a grand and glorious victory? This is This is not a dream but a probable outcome of the November election, so we are told by our Executive Committee after a calm and careful study of the

The socialist party has forced the surrender of the Associated Press and the United Press. Benson, single handed, forced the Des Moines papers, Campaign Edition" next week in and papers in other cities, to give the big effort to speed a group publicity to the campaign. See what of Socialist congressmen "On you can do with the papers in your town. Papers will print anything as To Washington". soon as they know the majority of people want them to.

We don't know much about the does, but we do know that while the farmers are blaming either high or low tariff for the low prices of grain, the rest of the people are blaming the same tariff for the high price of food-stuffs. So, whether tariff is high or low, somebody besides the producer and the consumer gets the big middle

Here is a good sample of republican campaign bunk from the pen of for victory that are now being A. T. Hert, Western chairman of the made all over the land. Republican National Committee: "The United States is essentially a business interests of all of us be safeguarded by the federal government." Well, why shouldn't Hert think so? Have not most of the American citizens been voting that way?

### The Final Pull For Victory!

Ten Thousand Dollars Needed At Once To Land Strong Group Of Socialists In Congress

ROM SEVEN to ten Socialists in the United States Congress.

Is there anything within the range of possibility that would have a more telling, lasting effect for the good of the Cause, and would it not be a crowning victory for the Campaign?

CALM, careful study of the field shows that just such a triumph is possible. There are at least ten districts in which our forces are within the reach of victory:—districts where the vote in previous years, the organization of the party, the candidates and the whole situation are all peculiarly favorable. \* \* \* \*

IN VIEW of all these facts, the National Executive Committee, the National Secretary and the Campaign Manager, at the last meeting just held, decided to concentrate our forces for the last supreme effort during the remaining weeks of the campaign, upon these ten congressional districts, where the possibilities of victory are greatest. These districts and the Socialist candidates are as follows:--

(1)—12th New York—Meyer London to

be re-elected. (2)—20th New York—Morris Hillquit. (3)—5th Indiana—Eugene V. Debs.

(4)—3rd Oklahoma—H. M. Shelton. (5)—4th Oklahoma—Allen C. Adams. (6)—6th Oklahoma—O. M. Morris.

(7)—7th Oklahoma—H. H. Stallard. (8)—4th Wisconsin—Victor L. Berger. (9)-5th Wisconsin-W. R. Gaylord. (10)—State of Nevada which elects a

United States Senator-A. Grant Miller. (11)—Minneapolis where an important municipal election is on with good prospects of electing Thomas H. Van Lear as Mayor.

APPROPRIATIONS had already been made from the national funds to several of these districts. It was decided to add to the appropriations already made and to make them where they had not already been made so that each of the nine districts first mentioned should have a total of \$1,000 each. and the Minneapolis district should have a total of \$500.

This means a total appropriation of nearly \$10,000 to these ten districts alone. But we believe that if we can strengthen the hands of our comrades on the battle-line in these districts to this extent it will give them every chance of victory.

The Committee therefore, acting as it believed the rank and file of the membership would want them to act, voted to make these appropriations.

We know you want the victories. Are you willing to pay your part of the cost?

SO FAR this campaign has shown a surplus. If the comrades will respond to this call, even as generously as they have so far in the campaign, we can give this \$1,000 to each of these critical districts, seize the biggest chance we have to land a group of Socialists in Congress and finish the campaign without a dollar of debt.

THIS is the last call.

We ask every local once more, and for the last time in this campaign, to take the matter up and make a final contribution to the national campaign fund at once.

We need ten thousand dollars for this final pull.

Help the Party land a group of Socialist Representatives in Congress. Help the Party finish the campaign with-

out a debt. We must close the books within five days after the campaign is over.

There are hundreds of locals of the Socialist Party that have not made a cent of contribution to the National Fund. There are thousands of individuals who have not.

Will you let the opportunity go by? Will you fail us in your duty now?

THOSE locals or individuals who have collected money on the punch-cards, the dime-banks, subscription lists, or otherwise. should at once close up their lists and send in the money. Those who have none of these devices should make contributions direct.

Use the blank at the bottom of this page and address: The Campaign Department, Socialist Party, 803 W. Madison Street, Chicago.

Signed:-

Victor L. Berger. Morris Hillquit. Anna Agnes Maley. John Spargo. John M. Work. National Executive Committee. Adolph Germer. National Executive Secretary. Carl D. Thompson. Campaign Manager.

## The Worker and His Future of the starts. 7. When sick your pay stops and doctor's bill starts. 8. If disabled or in-

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

The worker should be the master of the world.

Instead of this it is the exploiter of the workers who rules in every land on earth.

And thus it has been thru all the centuries since the race began its struggle up the heights and turned its face toward the light.

And now at last this struggle is a sevent saved.

8. If disabled or injured, your receive little or no pay.
9. If you die, your family get only what your have saved from your small wages.
10. Little clear money; nearly all your pay goes for living expenses.
11. Old age, sickness, saved, your job goes to a younger and more active man.

It is merely savi

And now at last this struggle is coming to fruition and the future is that it makes conditions good for that it makes conditions good for that it makes conditions good for

Today the working-class is in evidence, not only in the pits and mills, Wage slaves are worked to death but in the forum, the legislative hall, to make it easy for the slaves of and even the "executive mansion." Slowly, but surely, the working-

class is coming in possession of itself, developing its mind as well as its muscle, and learning how to think for itself as well as to produce wealth for its master.

The labor movement is the grandest movement in history.

race and symbolizes the hope of hum- ridden. The cases will be appealed. anity. All that is essential in our believe that the interests of the kings material life and all that is vital and in the emancipating program of the labor movement.

paring to enjoy the fruit of the new gaged in war. to try to patch up the evils that come dispensation.

Labor, class-conscious, Nothing, absolutely nothing,

human institution, the motive power of fits for July amounting to \$1,222, all progress, the framework of all 905.95 out of receipts totalling ten civilization.

would encumber the face of the earth.

Labor is the infinite creator and it roads. Then the millions in graft and of duty, and a world of joy for all be used to establish not only an eight done everything in the world for the children of men.

#### Hughes And Eight Hours

By WILLIS ANDREWS.

The eight-hour work day has been

agitated in America for the past thirty years. The subject has been discussed from every angle imaginable. The highest medical authorities have approved an eight-hour work day as desirable from a physiological point of view. Others renowned in fields of social activity have declared long hours of labor as the deadliest foe to the mental, moral and aesthetic development of mankind. And it is the overworked, fatigued body that lends itself most readily to the cup that cheers—and drunkenness.

Now all this is common knowledge to every enlightened person in the United States. But in the face of this fact Mr. Hughes seems to consider the eight hour proposition as some dangerous innovation suddenly foisted upon an unsuspecting public. But in assuming this attitude he unwittingly betrays a woeful lack of knowledge that manifestly unfits him for the exalted position of president of the United States.

The justness of an eight-hour work day is so palpably self-evident that any suggestion to arbitrate the matter is sheer folly.

The other question involved as to whether workmen should receive ten hours' pay for eight hours' work, is easily answered. Unless it can be shown that workers toiling ten hours daily are receiving more than suffcient to properly house, clothe and feed their families and provide ample educational advantages for their children, then arbitration of the matter of wages is also out of the question and unworthy of any consideration.

The producers of the wealth of the world have too long been satisfied with cheap food, shoddy clothing and hovels for homes. But labor is awaking from its slumber of centuries. How wide its eyes are open will be determined by the number of ballots cast for Allan L. Benson, the socialist candidate for president.

USING ITS OWN LANGUAGE. What is the navy? It is a machine. What does it make? Capitalistic mar-

In view of these facts, it is interesting to note what the promoters of the navy say about it and the thing it makes in the literature it sends out

to increase its membership. IN THE NAVY. IN CIVIL LIFE. 1. Steady and heal-thy employment, with 1. Jobs uncertain, strikes, lay-offs, sickgood pay.
2. Promotion quick
—sure for deservin ness.
2. Promotion and advancement uncer-

advancement uncertain and slow.

3. Favouritism and partiality frequently shown.

4. Pay small and limited while learning a trade.

5. Same old, monotonous grind every day.

6. Stuffy, gloomy, uninteresting working place.

7. When sick your sure for deservismen.
3. No unfairness or preference; the best man wins.
4. Pay good, with chance to learn a useful trade.
5. Travel education, knowledge, change of scene. scene.
6. Fresh air, sun, sea; clean, healthful, athletic life.

7. When sick, pay goes on; doctor and hospital free.

8. If you are disabled you get a generous pension.

9. If you die, six months pay goes to your family, with a liberal pension.

10. Your pay is clear money; no expense or outlay except for cluthing.

11. After thirty years' service, retirement on three-fourths

ment on three-fourths pay, plus \$15.75 for those who run the machine in order that they may make them bad for others. That is the best it can say for itself. Why should a worker fall

Honor the tramp. Your job may depend on the fact that he doesn's seek a job.

for its patter?

Four Socialist street speakers were again arrested at New Brunswick, N. J., during the past week, and fined \$20 and sentenced to seven days in It signifies the awakening of the jail. The town is thoroly corporation-

It actually seems that there is a fundamental in religion are embraced survival of Christianity in Holland. About 1000 priests and workers instigated by them have signed a For ages, labor's fate was to suffer manifesto declaring themselves ready to care for those wounded in war. in silence from oppression and in- to fight the army, if need be, in order It is easier to end poverty than it is justice and now, at last, labor is pre- to prevent the nation becoming en-

When the graft is eliminated from railroading the profits show can This is proved by the fact that the receiver for the Chicago, Rock Island Labor is the raw material of every & Pacific Railway Co. reports pro-Without labor, collapse would be after the railroads claim they cannot instantaneous and irretrievable chaos afford to put the eight hour day into is now engaged in creating a new profits, that result under the present world, a world of freedom, a world system of private ownership, could hour day but a six hour day.

TO THE CAMPAIGN DEPARTMENT, SOCIALIST PARTY,

803 WEST MADISON STREET, CHICAGO.

Comrades: Enclosed find \$....., my contribution to help land a strong group of Socialists in Congress, pile up the 2,000,000 votes and finish the campaign without a debt.

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PROGRESS-AND POVERTY! | Inaction is a sort of reaction. A twelve per cent advance in average wages for all workers in man-

ufacturing industry took place be tween the years 1909 and 1914, acner day, thanks to a contributor cording to figures recently made "Voice of the People" Column. public by the U. S. Census Bureau. In 1909 the 6,516,046 wage earners engaged in manufacturing received \$3,427,038,000 in wages-an average wage of \$519 per annum. In 1914 the 7,036,337 wage earners so engaged received \$4,079,332,600 in wages—an average of \$580 per annum.

This was an advance of 12 per cent in wages in five years. Of course, the various investigations made in this country have all tended to show that no family can live in anything approaching decency on less than \$700 a year, but perhaps a number of these workers didn't have to sup-

Still, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has just pointed out in its latest bulletin on retail prices, that the increase in food prices from 1909 to 1914 was FIFTEEN per cent.

For these seven-odd million workers, at least, facing a 15 per cent increase in food prices with a 12 per

This is known as "the progress and prosperity of our country!"—PEAR-SON'S MAGAZINE.

"On To Washington!"

The American Socialist will

tariff nor do we know anyone who propaganda that has been put speculation in its history. out in this or any other campaign.

There will be a summary of the voters will be told what Soc- future. ialists can do in congress; they will be told about the big drives

This special campaign edition will sell at the usual price for nation. Its citizens demand before anything else that the basic business bundle orders: \$5 per 1,000; \$2.50 for 500; 50 cents per 100. to solve the print paper problem by Send all orders to The American making paper himself from the Socialist, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago.

History is one class struggle after

Socialism will injure none, but it vill insure comfort and plenty for all. Life is the greatest thing in the world, but life without means for

iving is worse than hell. The reformer would regulate humanity. The revolutionist would

Democrats have raised the quest-ion, "Why vote for Wilson?" Well, tion. why?

pleasure. The story of capitalism has no moral; but it has a tremendous immoral

So many workers vote the old party ticket that the feeling is growing that after all monkeys didn't evolute

and their subjects were identical, and It is easier to stop war than it is

The workers of Europe were led to

of poverty. Mr. Justice Hughes has evidently mightiest power in the world. issue a special "Congressional thought so much about the "sacred the holy principle of arbitration along with the great white cow, the tariff.

After the recent flurry over wild This issue will be dated Saturday, Oct. 21, and will contain some of the best Socialist now engaging in the wildest orgie of

"business" and wonders why it doesn't the records of Victor L. Berger do business. The reason is that it is not grateful for what it has received

> the country is not enough. It must prepare to end the conflict between the classes-presumably by arming one class and disarming the other. How would it do for Uncle Sam

and Meyer London in congress; but for what it hopes to receive in the We are solemnly told by the assembled bankers that the arming of

Mr. Wilson intimates that he has

public forest surplussage, instead of selling the woods for almost nothing to private interests?

Demand Product Of Your Labor. The Republican Party stands for

The Democratic Party stands for

Mr. Hughes tells you that the issue

That you should have an epportun-

That you should receive what you

That this robbery should cease.

The Socialist Party is the only party that stands for giving you an

The Socialist Party is the only

party that stands for giving you what

Socialist Party For You.

It will change him from a creature of the dust, deadened with toil, to a companion of the stars.

It will make possible the Brother-

Wake Up!

Socialism offers the only hope. Socialism alone can break the

"Thou Shalt Not Kill"

By WILLIS ANDREWS.

more hazardous to spread the gospel

in the so-called christian lands of

of every age and clime have always been made to conserve the economic interests of the prevailing ruling class. And so it is not surprising

that the exigencies of war in Europe

make it necessary for the dominant

class to transform Christ from a

Prince of Peace into a God of War.

"Might is right" is the gospel of this

ILLINOIS CO-OPERATORS MEET.

Thirty-one local stores are now in

operation in the mining centers of the

state. John H. Walker, Danville, was

re-elected as president, and Thomas R. Owens, of West Frankfort, as

Many requests are being made for

copies of the proceedings of this convention, and we are authorized to

Whether lust for power and gold will succeed in supplanting ideals of the brotherhood of man time alone

newest dispensation.

secretary.

The war in Europe seems to be

chains of the working class.

for your class, for the world.

Are you for it?

If not—

Amid the darkness of the present

Socialism means freedom for you

is a protective tariff.

Mr. Wilson tells you that the issue

continuing this robbery.

continuing this robbery.

But the real issue is:-

is a low tariff.

ity to live;

you produce.

hood of Man.

Wake Up!

Europe.

opportunity to live.

#### President Wilson And The Eight-Hour Day

By Joseph E. Cohen.
The papers tell us that President Wilson is to make his stand on the eight-hour day a reason for his reelection.

Mr. Hughes has spoken often and much upon this question and possibly he has convinced some Republicans that one can be for the eight-hour day and against what Wilson did at the same time. Besides some his torically inclined Republican is sure to recall that the achievement of the eight-hour day belongs in the glorious annals of the grand old party. Eight hours became the legal workday for employes of the federal Government under the administration of President Grant.

However that may be, the question does remain: What has President Wilson done for the bringing about of the eight-hour day? Are the railroad workers, for example, justified in voting for him on account of what he has done? And should other workingmen also support him for the same reason?

Realizes Workers' Strength.

What President Wilson has done is, first of all, to accept the fact that the railroad workers are so well or-ganized that they demand the respect and favorable consideration of the government. That is the fact of most supreme importance to be noted. The government always has its eye

on labor. Of that there is no doubt But how the government behaves depends entirely upon the strength of the labor organization.

Where labor is weak, members of trades unions are deprived of their sidetracked them, and only compelled rights of free speech and free press, them to make their fight at a less they are put behind bars on trumped up charges, they are kidnapped and like that of a political campaign. railroaded from their homes, they are threatened with terms of imprisonment and even charged with murder although it is known to their prosecutors that they are entirely in-

And when labor asks those in high places for a redress of grievances, they are either insulted, as happened with President Roosevelt, when he branded Moyer, Haywood and Debs railroad men—and it is just as as "undesirable citizens", or the impotency of the President is shown, as happened when John D. Rockefeller, Jr. ignored Mr. Wilson's request that there be arbitration of the Colorado difficulties.

The same Mr. Wilson who congratulates the railroad workers when they are strong enough to take the eight-hour day is the man who could not lift a finger for the defenseless woman and habes who fell in the massacre at Ludlow.

Kernel Of The Situation. And here we have the kernel of

the actual situation. It may be the railroad men are justified in preferring the warm feeling ed toilers everywhere such as this the President has shown to them country has never known. And there rather than the city reception Mr. Hughes is according them. If the aders of the railway unions are so easily influenced by conditions of temperature, that is their affair. But they will get the eight hour day only the eight hour day on the eight hour day of t they will get the eight-hour day only masses. because they are strong enough to

There is no doubt in the mind of anyone that, if the strike had come, doubt it would have been a short to Hughes? Not upon the question of strike and a most historic one.

have won.



'Say Boss, I aint no anarchist or I. W. W., but wuz you ever a Kiddie once and wanted to play like other kids?"

them to make their fight at a less strategic time. For there is no time

All Labor Has Lost. Then there is another point. one supposes that the passage of the eight-hour law paves the way for the general legal establishment of the shorter workday. If that were the case the Democratic party should have done the whole thing while it was doing the little thing. If the necessary and more so for the un-organized women and child workers and even the millions of men who are struggling against very unequal odds to cetter their lot.

No, that is a horse of a different color-and the Democratic party does not know the animal.

On the other hand, not only the railroad workers but the laboring people at large lost much by the make all these things possible. President stepping in when a strike But—Do you get it?
was about to be called that was sure
No. Instead of \$2000 and the things

to be successful. Had the strike come, there would have been such a demonstration of Six hundred a year m President Wilson did not give the the workers' might, that there would leather instead of rubber tires. railroad workers the eight-hour day. have been a quickening and inspira-

That the President has accomplish-

Only Strength Wins.
Is there then any reason for the the men would have won. There is no voting workingman to prefer Wilson

the eight-hour day! The railroad men would now be enjoying the eight- shorter workday by virtue of the hour day. And no supreme court strength of their organization—just could then declare their workday limit unconstitutional.

The railroad men are not among the

### To Have—?

By LUELLA TWINING. OW WOULD you like to have an automobile? And a cozy

an automobile? And a cozy bungalow in your own name? How would you like to go to the mountains, and take the vacation you've dreamed about?

How would you like to eat porter-house instead of chuck, and wear broadcloth instead of linsey-woolsey? How would you like to send your children to the University? Tom has a genius for architecture and hates clerking; Mary is a natural musician yet spends her time selling ribbons over a counter.

You Earn \$2,000 a Year. Government Staitistics show that you earn \$2,000 a year. Two thousand dollars a year would

you do want you get about \$600 and Six hundred a year means shoe

Six hundred a year means a barrack instead of a bungalow. Six hundred a year means the kind of a vacation you usually take-on

steak and linsey-woolsey.

It means that Tom and Mary must go on working for small wages because they never had a chance. It means that instead of life you hardly get a living.
For the Federal Public Health Ser-

vice reports that \$800 a year is necessary to preserve health and sustain a normal standard.

Shaking the very loundations of as a consequence chousands of those vice a way by which the cattle kings, who but a few years ago were patronizingly pointed out as "independent izingly pointed out as "independent one million six hundred thousand sustain a normal standard.

Christian religion to the heathen of farmers" are now headed for the cattle kings, who but a few years ago were patronizingly pointed out as "independent one million six hundred thousand acres of land in Nevada and adjoinsustain a normal standard. You Are Robbed.

If you earn \$2,000 a year and get Thanks to the intervention of the President, the men will not get the shorter workday until the first of next year. This is after election. It is likely they will get it then in the shorter workday the shorter workday until the first of the "outside trades" to get it, but among the last. And those it, but among the last. And those of \$56,000,000 a year.

One per cent of the people of this country own over seventy per cent of the people of this country. country own over seventy per cent of

Co-operation means Life; Competi-

Capitalist prosperity: Aviation prices and submarine wages.

Wilson and Hughes-O, but what's graphs.

Add light occupations: A worker trying to make his wages catch up with the cost of living. phones.

Industrial organization of the working class is the foundation of the socialist republic.

Don't be narrow enough to be a

blind fanatic nor broad enough to be a milk-and-water opportunist. Capitalism is digging its own grave, but some speed up system is sorely productive land the same as on proneeded, or else the undertaker might ductive land of the same kind, and

die of old age. 2,000,000 more bullets may or may not hasten the end of the war; but 2,000,000 Socialist votes will hasten capitalism's demise.

Thirty-seven days till election. A

rare opportunity for every Socialist to add 37 volunteers to the Army of the Common Good. If you are a socialist prove your-self by enrolling as a member of the

party. Otherwise you are a socialist in name only and if others were as you are there would be no party. The acid test of the true socialist

is his "stickability." He can't be jarred loose and when others get discouraged and let go it is then that he sticks to the job like grim death.

Benson and Kirkpatrick are bearing development and recreational needs the banner of the Socialist party to of every class of population demand certain victory, for whatever the re- that under normal circumstances the sult of the balloting, the Socialist working day should not exceed eight party is always winner.

Industrial workers and agricultural workers must clasp hands and make common cause. Both are essential to the labor movement and to industrial emancipation.

During the Spanish-American war the tobacco trust cut the weight of a five cent sack of tobacco by one ounce —thus "paying" the government war tax. Almost 20 years have passed since that war but the tobacco trust still collects the "war" tax.

"Patriots" of the approved bourge-ois type are working men who fight and die for the country owned by Not only will it supply the material needs of man but it will open for him the gates of joy and beauty.

cal program that appeals to men and women of intelligence, and the Socialist party is the only political organ-ization that is clean and above board and entitled to the respect of the people.

We are not expecting a large contribution from either Morgan or Du-pont, so the burden of the amount must be raised by the locals. Would you believe that there are hundreds of locals which have not yet given a cent for the national campaign? Such are the sad facts!

The percentage of farm renters is increasing by leaps and bounds in the agricultural states. Landlordism is spreading like the deadly Upas and shaking the very foundations of as a consequence thousands of those darkest Africa. But now it is even Socialist party.

The railroads have become converts Nevada and preserve the cattle to arbitration and are now chanting ranges of the state as their personal Europe.

As proof of this comes news dispatches from one of the war-cursed countries reporting the arrest of a woman charged with treason for having exhorted the soldiers to heed the commandment, "Thou shalt not kill." Representations of the powers kill." Representations of the powers history.

Later on the same stunt was pulled obscure clauses of the bill. It provides that not more than six hundred off with the cream and syrup pitchers.

The patrons get a pitcherful alright one person, but it not only has no but the pitchers are one fourth of an inch shorter. The saving resulting from this item alone covers the efficient of a cent an acre higher, but from this item alone covers the effi-ciency expert's salary for a couple of it also allows of the purchase of the

The following sentence from a comrade who sends a 50c contribution is in itself a powerful argument for socialism: "My regret is that I am not financially able to do much more but I am a widow, 73 years of age, who like thousands of others are making desperate struggle for existence, and whose only hope for the future is in Socialism."

In each of the districts where socialists are expecting victory the National Office is sending \$1,000. Thousand dollars does not go very far with The state convention of the co-operative societies of Illinois, recently the old party methods of using campaign money, but you can rest assur-ed that the comrades in each district held at the Miners' Labor Temple in Staunton, was the largest ever held. are going to see that it makes thousands of votes.

> Doesn't it give you a sort of pleasing sensation every time you meet a comrade with a campaign button on? Then why don't you wear one, so other comrades may have the same enjoy-

copies of the proceedings
vention, and we are authorized to state that copies may be had by writing to Duncan McDonald, secretary-treasurer, Illinois Mine Workers' Union, Farmers' National Bank Building, Springfield, Ill.

Comrade Greenough of Clearbrook, Minn., has the right spirit. He writes; "We are getting so strong in precinct No. 2, Noonsack township, that we are getting so strong in precinct No. 2, Noonsack township, that we the second party, so we demanded to bidder. What chance the highest bidder. What chance copies; in lots of 10 or more, 20 cents each.

ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT.

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meeting will show that this subject received its full share of pronsideration on his Child restaurant sugar bill.

#### Keep This In Mind. AMERICAN SOCIALIST

Public Ownership.

Government ownership of tele-

Government ownership of tele-

That private ownership of public

utilities be abolished.

That private ownership of mines be abolished.

To Prevent Land Monopoly.

Prosecution to regain land, water

power and mineral rights secured from the government by fraud.

All unused land should be forced

into use by making the tax on non-

Sickness Insurance.

Sickness insurance by Federal

Public Work for Unemployed.

ploying the idle during periods of de-

pression on such public works as road building, reforestation, construction of public buildings, irrigation and

Woman Suffrage.

That woman suffrage be adopted. Limitation of Power of Courts.

Prohibition of courts from declar-

ing laws unconstitutional.
Constitutional amendment prohibit-

ing Federal courts from making en-

croachment on personal rights of all

Eight Hour Day.

Giving Away Nevada!

By WALTER J. MILLARD.

better understood and because they

realize that Sam Platt, who is Pitt-

man's Republican or ponent will be an equally servile tool of the cattle

Miller however has energetically

fought the bill from the beginning,

Michigan. But egotism is not his strong point and in conversation he uses the term "the party" or "the

comrades" where you would expect

The Pittman Bill is ostensibly a donation of seven million acres of Government lands in Nevada to the

University of Nevada for the purpose

Threatened By Cattle Kings.

one person, but it not only has no

six hundred and forty in ten acre lots. The true inwardness of this will

be recognized by anyone who has

The state is composed mostly of long open, arid valleys divided by high mountain ranges. Along the foot

of the monntains are springs and

short creeks that lose themselves in the desert valleys and sometimes

water holes formed by artesian

pressure occurs in the desert floor itself. The cattle feed on the sparse

but nutritious grass of the desert and then drink at the water hole. The cattle

kings use these water sources now

but the land-hungry farmers are being driven as a last resort to

homestead on the desert edges and

use the water for irrigation. When the desert gets water it becomes enormously productive the freight rates give the farmer only a bare

living. When the homesteader fences

in his place the cattle man must find

The Pittman bill will enable the

a new water source or the cattle die.

cattle kings to plaster ten acre tracts along every little water course

seen Nevada.

him to use "I".

sugar coat.

appearing before the House Commit-

physical well-being, mental

Means should be devised for em-

exempting all improvements.

Government.

citizens.

The

drainage of swamps.

Here are the recommendations of the United States Industrial Relations Official Organ of the Socialist Party of the United States.

J. L. ENGDAHL ......Editor

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tary of the Union Land & Cattle Co., the largest cattle company in the state. The Republicans and Democrats

have evidently an understanding by which this control will be kept. Hence the election of the Socialist candidates becomes of paramount importance to frustrate the scheme and Justus E. Taylor. Miss Lucy Parker and Mr. McCuistion are three who

would be capable of doing so.

The real decision of the election lays with the miners many of whom The election of A. Grant Miller, are in camps fifty miles and more Socialist candidate, as United States from a railroad. from a railroad.

Their isolation and eight-hour Senator from Nevada becomes more

working day makes them great readof a surety every day. This is because the iniquity of U. S. Senator Hey Pittman's Land Bill is becoming feited by the thousand and one diversions of the cities. Thousands are Socialists now and more have been intellectually convinced of the correctness of our analysis and pur-poses. The size and earnestness of the meetings, the liberality of the collections leads one to believe that the "immediate demands" of the hour will be added to their intellectual con-victions and that they will vote the tee on Lands at Washington, and personally hiring the Opera House in Reno to make its provisions better Socialist ticket in sufficient numbers known to the people of Nevada. It takes a vigorous strong personality to undertake such a task and Miller is just that kind of a man for he

The second summer conference of fought successfully for his own health in the Nevada mountains as a miner after growing to manhood in held its sessions at Sherwood Springs, near Baltimore, last week, with more than 100 Socialists, Single Taxers, economists and sociologists, and a sprinkling of clergymen and millionaires in attendance. The promoters of the conference are elated at the progress that is being made by radical thought in this country.

The French Socialist The French Socialist paper, L'Union des Travailleurs, printed at of education but that is only the Charleroi, Pa., has suspended publication. It circulated extensively among glassworkers and miners who The real fact is that it would provide a way by which the cattle kings, came from the old country, but the rising generation are reading English and dropping French literature, and along came the high cost of paper ing states, can control the sixty odd and put on the finish. million acres of public lands in

Comrade Ross of Great Falls, Montana, did some real missionary work among the stone-cutters in his shop. He got up the following poster: "DARKEST AMERICA.

"The society for carrying the truths of social democracy to the benighted heathen of this our fair land of the U. S. A. respectfully solicits your help in a monetary way to the extent

of at least four bits.

"This is not a get-rich-quick scheme. You hand over your four bits and all you get in return is the con-sciousness of it being more blessed to give than to receive and the assurance that it will be used to help get 2,000,000 votes for Socialism this year!"

He sent in \$5 as a result and promised more later.





and got \$5 which I am enclosing to you for literature. The balance you can use where it will do the most good."

A Standard Oil Childs restaurant efficiency expert observed that the average restaurant patron is in the average restaurant patron is in the literature of lining a given number of lining li

WANTED-Organizers, Managers, Agents; Men, Women, Children.—Educational Union, 53 E. Van Buren St., Chicago. EX BOOKS. New and different. Particulars

After the campaign The American Socialist will carry an Organization Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Office acknowledges receipt of many answers to its recent request for organization suggestions. Such of these contributions as are available will be published later. The press of the immediate campaign has crowded out much of the organization program for the time being, but the minutes of the last National Executive Committee meeting will show that this subject to the standard Oil Childs restaurant to the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of the efficiency expert observed that the average restaurant natron is in the organization problems. The National Department for the discussion of the scheme control of the secontrol of the scheme control of the scheme control of the scheme control of the scheme control of the subject of the scheme control of

#### next year. This is after election. It is likely they will get it then, irrespective of how the election goes. It is likely, should the railroads appeal the case to the Supreme Court, the eight-hour day will be confirmed in principle. At the very best, however, the President of the United States won the men nothing but a rocktonement. And at the worst he respective of how the election goes. That is what tells, and it is the thing that tells first and all the time. The strength of labor, organized in the union and on the political field, in the Socialist Party alone, is what almost everything. Rockefeller and his class vote to contribute this. What do you vote for? that be advised the women to read Ezekiel, who extols the virtues of human warfare. Besides, she was tartly admonished to read what Christ What do you vote for? postponement. And at the worst, he man below. said about His coming not to bring BMITMINISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNISTERNI peace but a sword. Close students of history well understand that the religious systems

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## Fresh Country Eggs — \$1 Per Council have been captured by the Socialists of Zurich, Switzerland, and they are now close to controlling a majority, having 60 in a total of 125.

cents a dozen this time last year.
Strangely enough, however, the farmers around Washington are not Lerests which bought eggs from the farmers for 12 and 15 cents a dozen in the summer, have secured a "corner" on the supply, and are now engaged in the gentle game of the gentle game of the summer. mulcting the public.

Everywhere The Same.

The egg situation, however, is merely typical of conditions all over the country. The fact is that the cost of living is rising at such a rate that there is practically no hope of making the wage scale overtake it. The most recent bulletin of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics on the re-

these corn meal and coffee were only very slightly lower. All meats ad-vanced in the year. The advance ranged from seven per cent for Bacon, to sixteen per cent for hens. Other articles which made marked advances during this period were beans, 27 per cent; sugar, 26 per cent; onions, 35 per cent, and potatoes, 68 per cent.

Wilson And Hughes Silent. ocratic and Republican parties are ors. strangely silent on this subject.

Mr. Wilson's campaign manager boasts about enormous increases in exports; Mr. Hughes' manager retorts sent away a large portion of the commodities it produces.

"Prosperity is with us," shout the retort the Hughes boomers. "What prod is prosperity if the price level rises faster than the wage level?"

Neither Mr. Wilson or Mr. Hughes has any remedy for present industrial conditions. Neither of them knows asks the Socialist.

of Statistics on Retail Coal Prices, from approximately 250 coal dealers in 44 of the principal cities of the United States show an increase of three per cent in the price of Pennsylvania Anthrocite White Ash Stove Coal from January 15 to July 15, 1916—a period of six months,—a most unusual condition as summer prices are usual condition as summer prices are continued. Neither of them believe the wage such as the right and that it should be continued. Neither of them thinks to default worker or farm worker. Notither of them pretends to know what to do about the high cost of living. Neither of them pretends that he will change the existing economic system of production and distribution. Both of them believe the wage striking clay workers at Brazil, Ind., probably heard the malodorous "esting that every woman who reads and the very woman who reads a fing that every woman who reads The changes in the price of chestnut America. Each believes that the only coal were approximately the same. essential thing is to elect HIM and coal were approximately the same. Casential thing is to elect HIM and known Socialist daily, has started an The price of bituminous coal was HIS party to power in order that all evening paper, and it seems to be

Wholesale prices of commodities in the United States average considerably higher in 1915 than in the pre-ceding year, acording to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Everywhere the worker turns, prices are mounting with great rapidity. In this so-called period of prosperity" more strikes have taken place than at any previous time in the history of the country. The reason for this condition is that the price level is rising more rapidly than the wage level. A dollar today will buy eleven per cent less of food than it has gained an eleven per cent increase is up to the American people.

Contains:

ASHINGTON. — "FRESH COUNTRY EGGS — ONE DOLLAR A DOZEN."

That is the sign that dealers in the Nation's Capital say will be on display within a few weeks, if the price of eggs keeps on rising. This prediction is based on the rapid rise in prices during recent weeks. Eggs are now selling in the capital city at 48 of wages is no better off than he was a year ago.

The Appeal to Reason has increased its subscription rate from 50 cents to \$1 per year. The high cost of paper did it, and that same problem is raising the deuce with many other labor and Socialist papers that always have duced to begging, stealing or starving. The competition of the unemployed tends to reduce the wage level, and following this reduction comes a have decided.

Socialist party officials in Germany have decided, after considering the now selling in the capital city at 48 and following this reduction comes a cents a dozen, as compared with 34 reduction in the price level. The price matter for some time, to call no natural contract of dozen, this think have decided, after considering the matter for some time, to call no natural contract of the cont level, however, usually falls more tional convention for this fall. The Strangely enough, however, the farmers around Washington are not getting the big prices. Some suggestions have been made that storage interests which bought come for the solution of low good times come, which bought come for the fall. The minority, or anti-war faction, were slowly than the wage level. Thus the minority, or anti-war faction, were slowly than the wages. When but the majority believed that the prices, but lower wages. When the majority believed that the prosperity and good times come, breach would be widened on account the strange of the property and the proper their wage level up to the price level. Thus the workers face a condition of lose."

This condition is bound to continue Bureau of Labor Statistics on the retail prices of 26 articles of food which form the principal articles consumed on workingmen's tables, shows that between June 15, 1916, the average prices of all food increased fourteen per cent!

In the past year, from June 15, 1916, the increase in average food prices amounted to eleven per cent. Flour, corn meal, prunes and coffee, were the only articles out of the 26 which were lower in price on June 15, 1916, than on the same date one year earlier, and of these corn meal and coffee were only articles corn meal and coffee were only articles corn meal and coffee were only articles out of the 26 which were lower in price on June 15, 1916, than on the same date one year earlier, and of these corn meal and coffee were only articles contained to incentive to operate the machinery they own unless they get the capitalist owners of the tools and machinery of production will prefer to sell to the highest bidder. Thus the American workingmen, having produced the commodities, are forced to bid against the war needs of the peoples abroad. This is as true of food commodities as it is of manufactured products. The American farmers, competing against each other in the production of food products, must sell for what they can men of note. ducts, must sell for what they can men of note. get. Raifroad, warehouse, grain eleva-tor, packinghouse and a horde of other hungry capitalist middlemen intervene between them and their market. High prices to the city workers for food, and low prices to the farmers for their produce, is the rule. And what the farmer gets for his produce must go largely to the land owner, or the banker in rent or inter-Strangely enough, neither Mr. est on horrowed morey. Farm ten-Wilson or Mr. Hughes is saying a antry and mortgaged lands are ever thing about this terrific increase in on the increase. This is true while the cost of food commodities. The campaign textbooks of both the Demark are held out of use by land speculat-

Socialism To End Exploitation.

Socialism proposes to end the exploitation of both farmer and city ports; Mr. flugnes: manager retorts that the exports are caused by the European War. And neither one says anything about why a country whose cost of living is increasing at the rate of eleven per cent a year wants to sent away a large portion of both larger retorts worker. It proposes that the people, thru their government, shall own the principal means of production and that if 500 leading bankers would distribution; that the workers shall man the first-line trenches for 30 days employ themselves and produce at ahead of him. "That would be sufficient brotection for men." smilingly cost the articles needed, receiving in cient protection for men," smilingly return the full produce of their labor; that land shall be freed by taxation of speculative holdings and the na-Democratic campaign managers of speculative holdings and the na-"Prosperity is only temporary," tionalization of such land as may be

conditions. Neither of them knows Reports to the U. S. Labor Bureau how to increase the "real wages" of rily lower than winter prices. that there is much the matter with

know that much is wrong with the language that has given labor a fair country. They know that two per cent of the people of the country own sixty per cent of its wealth. They know that it is becoming harder and harder, in spite of "prosperity" to make both ends meet. They know that Federal ing the claims of the toilers before Reserve Acts and Rural Credit Acts, the public. Much of the Call's space and Underwood tariff acts have had has been devoted to exposing the lies no effect on the price of food on the and riddling the so-called arguments dinner table, or the price clothes, or of other English dailies, which are

upward. would a year ago. Unless wages have pudiate the parties that think everytrisen eleven per cent in the same thing is all right, and to endorse the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the parties that think everytionary old party politician chided the party pa The opportunity is at hand to reperiod the worker is worse off when party that KNOWS that things are he goes to buy food than he was a not all right—and knows what dis year ago. And even the worker who wrong and what to do about it. It

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pressing free speech on the public streets. Socialists filed notice that Thus the workers face a condition of they were not opposed to fair regulation, but would refuse to be Ruscase of "heads I win and tails you sianized. They threatened to test the souls a class" Mayoralty proclamation in the courts, whereupon his highness backed down.

which it feeds is in the hands of pri-vate capitalist owners. Capitalists He has been a sufferer from tuber-have no incentive to operate the culosis for a number of years. His

movement in Brazil. What Labor organization exists is largely of a Syndicalist character, preparations for the general strike being much more discussed than political action. The new Socialist Party, which has recently been started, will devote itself to the task of reaching the mass of the workers, and a considerable amount of propaganda and educational worl will have to be done before a solid Socialist organization can be built up.

After a lecture at Los Angeles, George R. Kirkpatrick, Socialist candidate for Vice-President and author of "War: What For?" was asked if he would follow the flag. He said he would follow it anywhere, at any such protection.

foul - mouthed anti-Socialist speaker in Brooklyn, N. Y., named Russell G. Dunn, was arrested and placed under bond of \$100 to keep the peace for six months for declaring that every woman who reads Karl Marx is a free lover and prostitute. A number of women who heard damn jackass and a crook," Gene head when you are doing a little Dunn testified at the trial. When ask- Debs, Socialist candidate for congress peaceful picketing, you hear the echo believed them.

three per cent higher on July 15, 1916, over the same date a year ago.

Number Of Strikes Increase.

Wholesale prices of commodities in rent, or coal,—except to boost them self-appointed guardians of "the pub-

In a debate in the New South Labor party for engaging in socialisknows what de tic undertakings, declaring that private enterprise is being ruined, the State experiments are failures, the country is going to the dogs, etc. A Laborite, in reply, snowed that private grafters are having their bony fingers wrested from the throats of the people, that prices are being held down to reasonable bounds, that those who perform the work are getting decent treatment, and with all that the State's Auditor-General shows that the socialistis institutions are a success. The figures were produced and they established the fact that the total income from State works for the past year amounted to over \$58,000,000, and after interest and sinking funds were provided for a surplus of \$1,387,000 remained in the treasury.

The New Zealand Labor party has formally and permanently launched by a combination composed of the National Federation of Labor, the Socialist party and the Labor Representation Committee. Representation in the party will be based upor the membership of the constituent bodies and a per capita tax must be paid into the party treasury. The socialization of the means of production, distribution and exchange is the final aim of the party. The immediate demands include: Increased taxation on unearned increments and monopoly for the purpose of remov-ing the present burdens on family inincreased taxation of unimproved land values, increased gra-duated income tax with a corresponding reduction of indirect taxation There is also a plank for free, secular and compulsory education from the kindergarten to the university, with uniform school books, printed by the government and supplied free of cost, Union labor must receive preference and work must be guaranteed to unWhat It Is!

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Assurance of a home-Socialism.

The real preventative of war-Socialism.

#### Release!

By JOHN M. WORK.

HE SOULS of men and women are shackled by capitalism.

I don't know how it is with you, but, as for myself, Socialism is not my

Perhaps, since you are aware that I am constantly working for Socialism Y., issued an order practically sup- and that I have been doing so for a score of years, you may think this a strange statement. Nevertheless, my goal is, and all these years it has been, away beyond

What I want is a higher race of human beings. I want to give people's souls a chance to unfold. I want to develop a race of supermen.

I SPEND years in working for Socialism because Socialism is the conso long as the productive industrial Gustav Eckstein, one of the best dition precedent to this farther aim.

This condition is bound to continue of the best dition precedent to this farther aim.

That is, Socialism is necessary in order that people's souls may have a material upon known Socialists of Germany, died a long the raw material upon known Socialists of Germany material upon known Socialists of G chance to unfold. Socialism is necessary in order that a race of supermen

Take a searching look at that working man who lives near by.

He has in him the making of a god.

But how little like a god he is now!

In the dim light of the morning he is off to his work. His work! A hundred conditions combine to make his work hateful to him. He does his task for the meager wage which he receives. He comes home late, tired, irritable. His home is a caricature. After supper, perhaps he smokes a stinking pipe until bedtime, or perhaps he whiles away the evening in the

There is nothing in his life to develop the god that is in him. Yet the god is there. It only needs a chance.

AND his wife.
Ah, his wife—what of her?

She has in her the making of a goddess.

Yet how little like one is she now! Her drudgery begins even earlier than his, and it lasts longer. She care-There has not been hitherto anything like an organized Socialist goes without everything she longs for. She works her life away. You can

see it ebb day by day.

Yet the goddess is there. You never quite lose sight of it. It never ceases to look out from the deep depths of her eyes. All it needs is a chance.

SOCIALISM will give it a chance.
Socialism will release both of them from the dreadful drudgery and the appalling poverty. And the rest of the people along with them.
Socialism will give the people's souls a chance to unfold.

It will enable us to freely and joyfully develop a race of supermen.

### Debs Flays Judge Anderson

Those four words spread across the | people and declared that the only exight column page of The Terre Haute ception on the supreme bench (Ind.) Star, in letters three inches high, have furnished the latest sensational development in the bitter fight now on to elect Eugene V. Debs to congress in the Fifth Indiana Dis-

The subheads declare, "Debs Calls
U. S. Judges Pampered Darlings of
Rich—Repeats What Roosevelt Is
Alleged to Have Called Judge Anderor in Judge Anderson's court but not

Story In The Star.

Repeating the statement which Debs claims Theodore Roosevelt made to Harry S. New some years ago in which the former president is alleged from the Fifth district created a sen- of the vote you cast

words," said Gene after the demon- perity which results from the war The New York Call, the well-stration had ceased. "but the words known Socialist daily, has started an of a former president after Judge Anderson had ruled against Roosevel in the suit against the Indianapolis raids made on the Mexican border

News and another paper."
"It seems to me that when Mr. Roosevelt made the statement he was sent to jail. I hold him and his court in contempt," declared Debs deliber-

Talks Of The Federal Injunction. Debs discussed the injunction which Judge Anderson issued in the present clay workers' strike now in progress at Brazil.

With a smile on his face Debs said: 'From the very beginning my heart has been with the clay workers and will be with them to the finish. "I want their capitalist masters to know there is one candidate for office

who has the manhood to declare war upon them. Did you ever hear of a governor ordering out a militia to shoot down the capitalist? "Do you over hear of a judge is-

suing an injunction preventing capitalists from cutting down our wages to the starving point?

Willing To Take Consequences. "This clay workers' strike was on but a little while when an injunction was issued. They didn't go to your local court because they knew you could get a whack at him.

"The federal judge is always the pampered darling of the capitalist. Before I get thru, if I am in contempt of court I am willing to take the con-

Debs contended that a federal judge was never appointed by the working

## Deliberative Assemblies pass they will be for it and afterwards shout in chorus: "We did it."

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son". Here is the news story in full good enough to testify against the as it appeared in The Star: capitalist.
"He has issued an injunction to break up the strike here in Brazil,"

charged Debs as another demonstration followed.

"The clay workers here are in a battle for bread.

"When a policeman's club hits your

If Debs Was President. Debs contended that the present prosperity is but "melanchely

ridden fields of Europe He declared that President Wilson was right when he charged that the

"were incited on this side of the

border. "I have been asked what I would in the purisdiction of the court. He have done if I was president" said was not cited for contempt. If it was Debs. "If I had been president the a working man, he would have been raids would never have happened. But if they had, I would have sent a punitive expedition into Wall street.
"My heart is with the Mexican—the peons who are fighting to achieve their independence.

One more month in which the office seekers will petition you. After that you will have to petition them.

He who pays the Piper orders the Tune. The Wall Street Gang Pays the

Campaign Expenses of Both Republican and Democratic Parties. Therefore they order the tune-the laws that Wall street wants. The Socialist Party gets its cam-

paign fund from the working people and not from Rockefeller or Morgan. Hence it is a working man's party.

Are you with Wall street or against it.

Join and Vote for The Socialist Party.

A campaign that is making the reactionaries squirm is now on in Cali-fornia, where a referendum has been initiated to enact a single tax statute that will smash the fat land hogs and give the common herd a chance to get cabbage patches of their own and something better, such as old age pensions, etc. Single taxers, Socialists and other radicals are making common cause to put thru this Parliamentary Procedure brogressive reform, while, of course, the plunderbund is howling bloody murder. Most of the politicians are perched on the fence, as usual, and if they see that the amendment will

The reign of terror inaugurated a year or so ago against the Socialists For Six Years Assistant Journal in South Africa, as well as against Clerk and Eight Years Journal Clerk unions and other radical organizations to a more or less extert, seems to have a more or less extert, seems to have run its course. The Socialists have founded a new paper, called the International. in Johannesburg THE PEOPLE'S COLLEGE and each week there is a house-to house distribution of pamphlets and other literature. Meetings are again Every Local Secretary, Chairman and being held in all principal cities and Active Party Member Ought to Have towns, and recently the labor organizations have been protesting most vigorously against the actions of professional patriots in attempting to National Office, Socialist Party keep alive racial and nationalistic employed. State shipping and State National Omce, Socialist Party prejudices and trying to play one insurance are other planks favored 803 West Madison St., Chicago, III. class of workers against the other.

#### Witness For Accused

By AGNES H. DÓWNING.

What would you think of a man who saw a fellow being on trial for a crime and knowing him to be innocent said little about it; and knowing the punishment for the accused to be imprisonment at hard labor for life, would sit down at home and eat and sleep and make no effort, except perhaps to speak in casual conversa-tion and tell that the accused person was innocent?

You say that man would be a traitor to the best there is in life a sluggard to his duty—that for the peace of his soul he should neither eat nor sleep until he had put the information before the proper tribunal. He should be a witness for the

then become a thousand times more insistent. He would be base indeed who did not leave all consideration of self and give his evidence to the de-

And now, my comrade, this applies to you and to me.

Every day the wage workers, the poor, the unemployed, the unfortunate are accused of laziness, of incompetency, of shiftlessness and thrift-lessness. The punishment for this is hard labor for life, hard labor with intermissions of enforced idleness when they must wander houseless and defenseless—the targets of insult and the victims of acute suffer-

ing.
You know that the best sociological and biological studies of the world give proof of the innocence of the accused. You believe that the program of Socialism would heal the ills—give peace for war, plenty for starvation, and health and development where you now see disease and stagnation.

Thinking this do you sit down at home and cat and sleep and make no effort except to speak in casual con- A Detailed Announceversation and tell that the accused are innocent? If we do we are helping the con-

viction of many.

We must be vigilant indeed or we

come in on the 7th day of next November. Our fellow citizens are the jury. Go straight to them with the evidence. You can not see all, hence send papers and leaflets. The lives of many hang in the balance. You must convince the jury. YOU BEAR WITNESS FOR THE ACCUSED.

Perhaps the rise in the price of print paper is preliminary to forcing a one cent letter postage for the benefit of the merchants.

When the world congress meets, how would it do to elect Mr. Roosevelt world president? That would be suitable reward for his betrayal of progressiveism.

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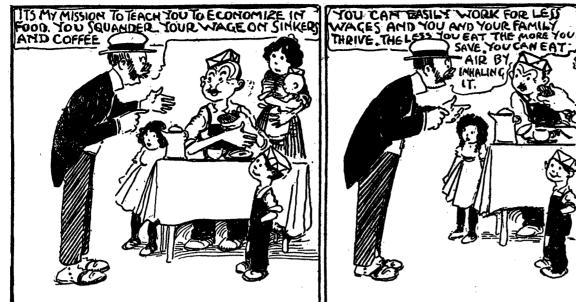
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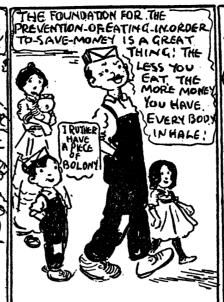
Every Socialist in America should have at least a dozen. Every Local should have at least a thousand on hand. Have the Little Bright

Red Spot Everywhere.

Henry Dubb Learns How To Inhale His Food









#### IN THE WORLD OF LABOR

By Max S. Hayes.

OVERNOR Ferris, of Michigan, is being roundly denounced because he has paroled Edward P. not less than seven years and not more than 12 years. Olkinghorn and the Chicago meetings: three other thugs were found guilty of killing a striker. In sentencing them the court said: "I have tried to find something somewhere in mitiga-tion of your act. If the jury had found your plea of self-defense true it would have been a travesty on justice." Olkinghorn was a Waddell thug and is said to have gone to New York to serve his plutocratic masters in the car strike. Ferris is a candidate for re-election and is classified as a "workingman's friend."

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as a "workingman's friend." His
chief opponent is of the same stripe.
The Copper Trust and other plutes
can't lose.

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SARCASTICALLY the railroaders
are commenting on Hughes' claim
that he is a "friend of labor" by
pointing to his veto of the full-crew
bill while Governor of New York, not
to speak of his decision in the Danbury Hatters' case and his present
knocks on the eight-hour bill put thru
Congress. Congress.

The railway men don't seem to grasp Hughes' logic as to what constitutes a real "friend of labor," that's all.

Hughes reasons that whosoever furnishes work for the workingman is the "workingman's friend," and the more work he piles on the greater cutting no figure.

lazy streaks.

the purpose of more closely combining their forces so as to insure intruth, to teach people the truth. But

have burlesqued Harrison Gray Otis, the most scandalous performances, premier of Pacific coast open shop- the escapades, the second-class premier of Pacific coast open shop- the pers, in a movie comedy. Otis is depicted as "General Who-tis, the Heero of the Battle of Caloocan." Critics claim that the old guy is nearly as funny as Charlie Chaplin. funny as Charlie Chaplin.

SAN FRANCISCO unions are discussing the feasibility of starting their own bank. They claim that past newspapers, in describing the details rise. You eat your dinner when the struggles and the present open shop fight prove that the funds deposited in banks by local unions are being used to give battle to organized labor.

A. B. GARRETSON, chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors, declares that as a result of the rail-way magnates' opposition to the Rapublicana Like Parasta eight-hour movement the sentiment in favor of government ownership of railroads is crystalizing at a rapid rate. Here's hoping.

Your emancipation from want and dependence on others for a job is in your own hands in the form of a Socialist ballot.

The contractors made about a mil-

lion clear in selling rotten stuff to feed the soldiers on the border. but they also gave a few hundred thousand ardent patriots an eye opener that will make it harder for them to work

#### Meyer London Stirs Chicago And Milwaukee Audiences

Olkinghorn, strike-breaker, during the copper strike of 1913, who was ing in the two cities, rousing his convicted of second degree murder audiences to great enthusiasm. and sentenced to prison in 1914 for Here is what he said at one of

SPEECH OF MEYER LONDON. (Mr. London had to wait about five minutes for the cheering to subside before he could begin his speech.)

I know that we Socialists are somewhat noisy. I can forgive you

how to do things.

The Socialist movement is rimarily an educational movement. We have a subject to the educational movement. We have an educational movement. We have an educator, intelligence, and solidarity and unity, and the employer would see you ignorant, divided and fighting one another? Isn't that true? damental difference between the past and the present civilization is the fact that knowledge has been democratized, that there are greater op-portunities for men and women to understand things, to know things,

to grasp things. There were good men and willing men and wise men thousands of years ago. We have no lawmakers greater than the law-giver Moses. We have no prophets greater than the Christ, than Isaiah and Jeremiah and the teachers of the ages. Nor have we today men more self-sacrficing than were the men of ages long gone by.

Greater Opportunity To Know. The only distinction is that we know more today and that there is the friend he is, wages and hours a larger number of men who have an of labor for the railroaders, hatters and others who occasionally display opportunity to know. When the printtor of humanity. And the machine, AUSTRALIAN labor organizations the printing press, would have been have been holding conferences for an unmixed blessing if it had been

it receive in the press. Criminologists who study the criminal law have shown again and again that our perpetrate crime. So the question bell rings again. is not how many big sheets of white paper are covered with black spots. The question is, how much truth is

Republicans Like Parrots. what have you learned at those meetin Congress to get one fresh, new, a free man? living word from a Republican. All "Protection."

And the amusing part of it is that the Democratic Party has stolen everything that there was which could publican, so that the only difference today between Mr. Wilson as the President and the candidate of the Democratic Party and Mr. Hughes as the candidate of the Republican Party

All Differences Have Disappeared. distinction that separated them, tariff the difference between the two organizations has disappeared.

Both of them today are for woman

not, and the attempt of the Republican Party to steal the votes of the women, the attempt of Governor Hughes to proclaim himself today the champion of women, and free women under our constitution? (Applause.)

In a flying trip to Chicago and Milwaukee last week, Meyer I and Socialist congressmen thing that ties us to the past, for London, Socialist congressman, everything that would keep back the do more for humanity and righteouswheels of progress.

Socialists Have Definite Mission.

As Socialists we have a definite mission for the working class, for the working people. After all, is it not will true that you want bigger wages and the employer wants bigger profits? Is it not true that you want cheaper rent and the landlord wants higher rent?

Is it not true that you want to your noise, since you have shown have strong unions and powerful that you can bring results. You know organizations, and the employer wants you to have weak unions or no unions at all?

class gets the Democratic and Republican politicians to keep your eyes upon the past, if possible, so that you shall not be able to see what they do with your pockets?

Is it not true that your interests as men and women are unalterably opposed to the interests of those who are in control of the wealth of the country?

And it is also true that the workphysical and manual toil, but every man and woman who contributes useful service, who does useful work as a worker—is it not true that the great mass, the propertyless mass who have nothing to depend on except the result of their service, have a distinct, clear and plain duty, and that is to organize the forces of the pro-pertyless class so that the rights of men shall be above the rights of property? And this is the mission of the Socialist movement. It is the creased efficiency and mobility. Mergers and centralization are the orders of the day, as there will be many profound problems to meet after the right of men, of living men, throbbing perty, accumulated labor, the result of past effort. It is men against pro-You take our great newspapers.

You take our great newspapers.

The horrible stuff they fill their against the propertied man. It is class against class. It is the present against the past. It is a tomorrow of hope against a past that is buried in the

> emancipation thru its own efforts. a railroad strike, why not discharge After all, men and women, the Social-them down there and let them tramp ist movement has given us something their way home? worth living for. What is the life of the worker without an ideal?

You go to your factory before sunof crime, teach the criminal how to bell rings. You return home when the

The Story Of "No. 675".

In some of the big factories you in the press, how much truth is in the book, how much truth do you hear disappears. It is No. 675. No. 675 gets up to eat his dinner just to fill the stomach to be able to continue grinding away. And it is No. 675 that Those of you who have been at Republican or Democratic meetings, hausted in mind and body and unable to grasp an idea. They call that the ings? For nine months I have tried life of the worker. Is that the life of

living word from a Republican. All I heard was the parrot-like repetition, "Protection, tariff; tariff, protection." Call attention to the presence of millions of children in the mines and factories, and the answer is, "Protection." You indicate the presence of millions in poverty, and the answer is "Protection." Then when you pick up your cup the clothing trust and the wool trust that determine how many suits of clothes you shall wear or whether you shall wear any. So that your entire possibly distinguish it from the Reregulated by some force, by some power outside of yourselves.

Is This The Life Of Free Men?
Is that a human existence? Is that the life of a free man? Is that is the whiskers of Governor Hughes; that the life of a fire man. is the whiskers of Governor Hughes; what this republic was built for? Did what this republic was built for? Did the men who gave their lives during the Revolution dream of such a re-The Democrats have absorbed the public? Did the million men who, between 1861 and 1865, laid down their lives to cement this republic, did they and protection. By the adoption of a lives to cement this republic, did they Tariff Commission every vestige of lay down the for some payoful according to the commission of the commission every vestige of lay down the commission and the commission of the commission every vestige of lay down the commission every vestige of the commission every vesti could work for some powerful corporation?

Or did they lay down their lives suffrage. A short time ago they were and dreuch the soil with thir sacred not, and the attempt of the Republiblood that you might be free men

champion of woman's rights, not-withstanding the fact hat his party in convention adopted a plank even more of his tenement house, to the narrow conservative toward the question of prison of the worker's life today, we women's rights than the Democrats, have brought the sunshine of an ideal. Send five cents for a sample copy of The New World, Lincoln Phifer's formances which will be punished by an intelligent electorate.

Send five cents for a sample copy of The New World, Lincoln Phifer's ganize, unite, merge your hearts, your as intelligent electorate.

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If a job is worth having it is worth owning. Under Socialism you would

them will do it, if the madness of capitalism is not arrested by a big Socialist vote. You never had an opportunity to

ness than you have in voting a Socialist ticket.

Are you back yet from your vacation, Mr. Worker? Ah, we see. You will take your's this winter, and By the way, where are the trusts

that the two old parties were going to bust four years ago? And why are they not busting trusts this year?

When you vote remember the ex-

pense for unnecessary preparedness that capitalism has already forced on Wonder if the Wilsonites will re-

member the Maine. It doesn't pay for a servant of capitalism to fumble at the game. Two millions reading the message

of our candidate, Benson, every week, means a big Socialist vote in November. But it ought to be five millions. A special to the New York Call

ing men—using that expression in the broadest possible meaning, including the recent municipal elections in that not only men who are engaged in city the Federation of Labor elected its entire ticket. No details are given

Wonder if the applause that greets the old party spellbinders does not sound like the old song of the grafters: "Cheer, cheer, the gang's all here, what the hell do we care, what the hell do we care?" While the world is madly using the

with the ballot. Perhaps this is the last time he will be able to use it in behalf of peace. You have your choice of Wilson or

about what he may or may not do

war bonds and plunge the nation into the madness of slaughter. One the game again. Now that there is no need of holding the soldiers on the border either

The working class seeks its to kill Villa again or to help break

The Santa Fe railroad announces that it doesn't intend to obey the eight hour law. Why should the people obey the law that keeps them from seizing the road and calling it their

The actual nominations received in the contest between President John P. White for re-election and John H. Walker, (President of the Illinois State Federation of Labor, formerly President of the Illinois Mine Work ers for many years), who is a candidate against him, was three hundred sixty-six (366) for White and three hundred twenty-one (321) for Walker. The total number of nominations made by the local unions for them and other candidates, was something like eight hundred (800). This means that Mr. Walker has received a larger percentage of the local nominations made than any man has ever received who was a candidate against the incumbent in that position since the inception of the Miners' Union. It means too, that President White as candidate for reelection, is the first man in the history of the United Mine Workers Organization, who failed to receive a majority of all nominations made

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And I can't quite understand
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Bout a free and equal land.
Course I'm strictly patriotic,
Marched with Sherman to the sea,
But I'm certainly from Missouri
Bout this same equality.

II.

Now I know a lot's women
Like my friend the widow Brown,
She owns stocks, and bonds, and farmlar
And some houses here in town.

Why, she pays more coin in taxes
Than a lot's men of note,
And she handles her own business
But the law won't let her vote.

But the law won't let her vote.

III.

Then there's doctor M. L. Bowen,

(The her right name's Minnie Lee)

Why, when little Jim was ailin'

And the doctors can't agree,

We just called in doctor Minnie

And I want you all to note

Where they failed, she cured the young

But the law won't let her vote.

A comrade at Wellsburg, S. D. orders Benson leaflets to be sent in bundles to thirty-five addresses in twenty towns in his state. An extensive campaign for one man, we say.

Then there's Missis Jack McCormick, When her 'susband lost his leg. All the neighbors said those children Soon would have to start to beg. But she buckled right down to it, Never stoppin' night er day, And where Jack had been a failure Wife made the old farm pay.

VICIOUS JOURNALISM.

In the campaign headquarters of the 20th Congressional district, city of New York, 1538 Madison Avenue, there is posted, that all may read, p clipping from the Philadelphia North American of Sunday, September 2/1916, and an editorial and a clippir from the New York Call of September 26, 1916. The latter clipping an authoritative statement by Morris Hillsuit relations to the report by ris Hillquit relating to the report by the North American to the effect that "Morris Hillquit urges re-election of Wilson" and that he "will tour for the Democratic ticket."

Morris Hillquit is the Congressional candidate in the 20th Congressional district, and has a good fighting chance for election. The campaign already made in his behalf is a fighting one, and has scared the old party politicians. The two old parties are about equally divided in this dis-trict. Siegel, the Republican candidate, won in the last campaign by only 70 votes.

The North American canard will not affect Hillquit's district. But repeated as a sweet morsel by the capitalist press thruout the nation with the intention to discourage and confuse Socialist voters, it may have a serious effect.

A splendid example of Pharaohism is set by the North American. In the text of the reporters' article there is not a single word about urging the re-election of Wilson, nor the slightest hint about Hillquit's touring for the Democratic tickets.
Only the scare headlines made in the newspaper office convey this misinformation.

In the district headquarters one clipping is headed: Liar, Philadelphia North American; the other is Truth, by Morris Hillquit.

It is important that these facts be given the widest possible publicity. Hillquit says:

"I have given no interview to The North American, and have not the slightest intention to support the Democratic ticket. My political allegiance, now as ever, belongs wholly to the Socialist Party, and all my efforts in this campaign will be directed to the support of Benson

Wife made the old farm pay.

V.

She has sent the boys thru college;
She has money in the bank;
The old farm looks like a garden
And the woman is to thank.

Now they ride out in an auto,
But the thing that gets my goat
Is that Jack gets all the sufferage
For the law won't let her vote.
VI.

Now I've thought the whole thing ever
And to save me I can't see
Where the average woman's weaker
Than an avorage man may be.
So I think that we had better
Change hame laws before we gloat
For we can't be free an equal
Till the women have a vote.

John R. Hund, Terre Haute, Ind.

directed to the support of Benson and Kirkpatrick, candidates of the Socialist Party for President and Vice-President."—J. MAHLON BAR-NES, Campaign Manager, Twentieth Congressional District of New York.

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