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No. 312, which will be dated November 30, may be the last issue of the Appeal for five or six weeks. This is the issue that will contain the evidence presented to Mr. Madden to show why the Appeal is rightfully and legally entitled to be carried as second-class mail matter. There will be a mass of this indisputable proof. It is going to take some courage on Mr. Madden's part to turn down the Appeal in the face of the evidence we will lay before him. If the decision goes against the Appeal, the American people should know the facts. It is of the utmost importance to the Socialist movement that No. 313 be given the widest possible circulation. It will be necessary for you to advise the Appeal as early as possible how many copies you can use, as we may not be able to get them to you after November 25. No. 313 will be put on the press November 25, and the previous list running night and day until all orders are filled. Comrades of the Appeal Army, this is YOUR fight. Much depends on each one of you individually. Don't wait for some one else to act, but get in your order today for a bundle of Appeals to distribute in your neighborhood. There is not a single comrade but can handle at least a bundle of 250 copies. Two hundred and fifty copies, \$1.50; 500 copies, \$2.10; 1,000 copies, \$4.

The efforts now being made to shut out of the mails the Socialist press of this country will have an effect not counted upon by the department and the interests which expect to profit by such action. The net result will be a decided gain for the Socialists—every comrade will feel his imperative duty to redouble his efforts in the future. It takes opposition to build up a great movement—in fact a movement which creates no opposition is not worthy the support of any man. Nothing could illustrate more clearly the strength of Socialism and its widespread influence throughout this country than the efforts now being made to head it off. Strange that these men in power are so short sighted that they are unable to see the result of this unjust discrimination against the Appeal and other Socialist publications. During the past few days thousands of letters from the comrades have come to my desk breathing the spirit of determination to win against all obstacles. Temporarily the paper may suffer some inconvenience, but it will be as nothing compared to the ultimate good that will result to the cause of Socialism. If after working for a decade I had not been able to arouse the parasites who profit by the present competitive system, I would feel like giving up in despair. As it is I have caught the inspiration from the comrades and feel that from now on, our efforts must and shall be redoubled. The next few years will try the metal of the supporters of Socialism—but as it has been tempered by the fires of competition and hardened by adversity, I have no fears but that it will stand the test.

The decision of Judge Kohlsaat of Chicago, that boycotting was illegal and subjects the boycotters to penalties, and including in the definition of boycott the sending of circulars, printing advertisements or speaking of a firm as unfair, picketing or trying to induce workmen to refuse to work, will make union labor a howling farce. It takes away from labor every weapon it CAN use except the ballot. Now what will the unions do? Are they going to meekly submit? Are they to see their masters ride over them rough-shod and have the whole machinery of government at their disposal? Are they going to stupidly continue to vote for men and parties who are opposed to them and their interests? Will they continue to elect legislators and judges who act only in the interest of property and lose sight of MEN? Or will they proceed from now on to act with their strongest weapon—the ballot—and elect Socialists who will make laws in the interest of the majority—the workers?

English monopolists and financiers taught the Americans how to manipulate the people and skin them. It is their turn now and a howl is going up in England at the invasion of that country by the tobacco and steel combines of this country. Late English papers are howling for the people to stick by their home products, and not to be taken in by the bait of the American trusts to sell below cost until such time as they shall have ruined the English manufacturers and then have the people at their mercy. But the people will buy where they can buy cheapest and the English must meet the conditions or perish. It was all nice while they were skinning America, and they yet do it by owning our railroads and banking institutions, but they will have to pay dear for it before they are through. On either side of the Atlantic the working people will be the sheep that are finally sheared.

The steel trust is giving blocks of stock to its foremen, superintendents and managers, which at 5% will equal their pay. You see this is given to the highest priced labor. The poor devils who work for the lowest pay do not get it. It is always those who need it least who get the plums. Under Socialism the workers would get an equal share in all the national wealth. There would be no favorites with high pay getting bonuses and pensions off the labor of the balance. Which would the many prefer? The workers are the majority, they can vote in any system. Will they ever wake up?

Political liberty and industrial serfdom won't amalgamate. Already the workers are growing restless and are asking why they should continue to vote the tickets that so well please and serve their masters. The growing Socialist party on one hand and the agitation of the unions on the other portend something. Though ill-advised and wrongly

...ed the election of a union labor mayor, both the old parties in San Francisco, has a deep meaning. The incident has attracted the attention of the workers in other cities and even before the returns were fairly in, agitation for workmen to leave the old parties and go into politics for their own good has started in a number of places. As soon as the workers realize their power they will make short work of the politicians who serve the corporations, and the lawyer who has got his best fees from corporations after election to office for selling out his constituency will take a back seat in the political synagogue. When the workers go into politics it will not be long before they will learn that the only program that will give them any relief is the Socialist one—the public owning and operating the industries. Then they can control the rules of employment and get all their labor produces. And that is what they want, but have never yet got a clear glimpse of it. The signs of the times are good for the future.

WAKE 'EM UP.

There are times when the educational work does not move along as rapidly as it should and the thought bears down upon me that I am not as skilled in the use of words as I should be. However, I do my best to touch upon the string in tune with the heart throbs of suffering humanity. I feel it to be true that there are a million minds in this land that are ready to be awakened to a full realization of the parts they must sooner or later play in this great drama of life. Once this awakening takes place a million brains will be set in motion generating the desire necessary to produce a society in which every soul born into the world will have an equal and inalienable interest. In the next ten days every comrade would divorce themselves as much as possible from all other subjects and center every thought on this work the result would be a thousand new workers in the field and the impetus given the growth of Socialism would be manifested from ocean to ocean. A concentration of our thoughts, our heart beats and our efforts would do wonders for the cause of Socialism. Let us give it a trial, comrades. Pass the word down the line! THE APPEAL WANTS TO HEAR FROM EVERY WORKER WITHIN THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

The millions of people who are Socialists today were all voting and believing in other parties at one time. What changed their minds? Reading. Previously they had taken their ideas from the current thought of the day. They were honest and sincere. But they were induced to read and consider the evidences of things and changed their political beliefs. That is why the old party leaders do not want their followers to read Socialism. They want to control them. Socialists do not tell you to not read other theories. They want you to read all sides. The people who profit by your ignorance are anxious to keep you ignorant. Socialism can only benefit by your wisdom. If the people would all read and consider this old world could be made a paradise in a few years. If you will read a work on Socialism you will know more about it than you do now. Would that be bad? Is knowledge a bad thing? Are you afraid to trust yourself with reading for fear you will be deceived and support some wrong? Are you so weak minded that you dare not trust your own judgment?

The Macon, Ga., Telegraph of Oct. 28, states that articles of incorporation have been filed with the state secretary for the Lipton Co., which has secured about 100,000 acres of the best farm lands in southern Georgia, on which they will import German retail farmers and raise supplies for the Lipton 3000 retail stores in England. He will establish a line of steamers to carry away the wealth from the producers. America is thus to become, to that extent, a direct slave plantation to support the drones of England, for if the workers received the full results of their labor there would be no profit in the transaction. If they do not receive the full results of their labor they are in the economic relation the black slave was to his master. Lipton is the Englishman who has monopolized the tea trade of his land and this country, and has overcharged the people until he is able to buy the land from under their feet and make them agricultural slaves. Ah, well!

There is much howling going up even from supporters of private ownership of the railroads because they have evaded paying millions of taxes in Chicago and other places, and hints at the connivance of the officials to enable them to do it. If the public owned the roads there would be no such question, no such temptation for officials. Whatever the roads pay in taxes anyhow they add to the traffic and the public have to pay it, and it were better they paid it direct than indirect. There is no argument to support the private ownership of corporations, except the mere assertion that it is better than for the people to own what they use. The public operating the roads and charging the same as the present tariff would produce enough revenue to run all the national and local governments, after the public eliminated the competitive and duplicating expenses of the roads. Only foolish people prefer to have the millionaire dictate the railroad tariff rather than dictate themselves.

THE POSTAL DEPARTMENT AND THE APPEAL.

The article "Press Censorship in America," from the International Socialist Review, published in this issue of the Appeal, will give our readers a clear idea of the well laid plans of the postal department, at the dictation of the capitalists, to suppress Socialist publications. The efforts of the department seem to be directed toward making rules, which, while excluding from the mails Socialist publications and labor papers favorable to the movement, will not interfere in any way with republican papers. That this is true is evident from the recent action of Mr. Madden in telegraphing to the Girard postmaster an order that bundles of Appeals could not be sent to one address at the regular pound rates. To test this, bundles of papers were ordered from the Kansas City Journal, St. Louis Globe-Democrat and Chicago Inter-Ocean, all republican papers. These bundles passed their respective postoffices without the additional postage, showing conclusively that the order was sent ONLY TO GIRARD, and was intended, as the telegram specifically stated, to "apply to the APPEAL TO REASON."

When the bundles arrived at Girard, without stamps affixed covering the additional postage as required by this special order, the Girard postmaster, in accordance with his instructions, assuming that they applied to all papers alike, demanded the extra postage. Word was sent to the Journal that postage at eight cents per pound was demanded on its papers. The Journal folks were of course surprised, and immediately took the matter up with the department at Washington. Shortly afterwards the order requiring postage on bundles of papers sent to one address, was cancelled by Mr. Madden, who realized that he had made a mistake in making the ruling which tramped on the toes of administration papers. As Mr. Madden is a persistent gentleman and is very desirous of earning his salary, he devised another plan whereby he could catch the Appeal and exclude it from the mails. This time he decided that the subscription list was not a legitimate one, because the papers sent out were not paid for in accordance with section No. 281 of the postal regulations and laws, as published in last week's paper. He very kindly gave the Appeal until November 29th to show that the list is paid for and therefore entitled to transmission through the mails as second class mail matter. The Appeal has an abundance of evidence to prove this fact, but to make it doubly effective, I ask the comrades and all readers of this paper to send a postal card to me stating that they are subscribers. These postal cards will be submitted, together with the balance of the evidence, number and amount of postal orders cashed at the Girard post-office, payable to the Appeal, letter files, postal subscription cards and lists of signatures from cities and towns in every state in the union of men and women who are subscribers. This evidence will be printed in the next issue No. 313. If the Appeal is shut out on this flimsy and unjust charge, I want the public to know our side of the case.

THE MASSACHUSETTS ELECTION.

Unofficial returns of the Massachusetts election give the Socialist vote at 10,476 and the S. L. P. vote at 9,738; a total of 20,214. Before announcing the successful ones in the guessing contest, the Appeal will wait for a confirmation of this vote by the official count. The Appeal hopes to be able to announce it in the next issue.

The Standard Oil Co. divided \$48,000,000 in dividends last year. Under Socialism that sum would go into the national or state treasuries, or else the price of oil would decrease instead of increasing as it has. Six years ago I paid 6 cents a gallon for gasoline—now I pay 15 cents. Some people say trusts decrease the price! But if it costs as much or more under public ownership, it would stop the great line of corruption which that company has everywhere practiced, polluting the public service and making government odious to people, who are afraid to trust any business with it. The Socialist sees the corruption and oppression of government, but he is not opposed to government—he knows the causes and would remove them and make governments good and pure and lovable and beneficent. Other people hate and fear government and are afraid to trust it.

The Socialist members of the Belgian parliament, well organized, have gained several important victories over the unorganized conservative and governmental forces, and the dispatches state that the Socialists may force a parliamentary crisis. The fight now on is one against an enlargement of the army. Socialists everywhere are men of peace—hence their opposition to the military expenditures and waste on the part of modern governments.

The automobile fund has now passed the \$1,000 mark—\$1,017.68. But \$182.32 is needed to complete the fund. Let the comrades come in on that this week and close it up. The automobile can't be stopped by Mr. Madden and will attract large crowds wherever it goes. The work it will do for Socialism will be of inestimable value. The total last week was 971.98—the type made it \$871.98.

The first meeting of the National Committee will be held at St. Louis, Mo., January 24th.

There would and could be no tax dodging under Socialism.

Judge Hennessey of Chicago has imprisoned two of the Chicago American staff for criticizing the court's decision. The judge was the complainant and the jury and all. Ye gods! Judges are become divine and above criticism. Please give us a king. It were better.

A Philadelphia bank has pensioned its old employees. It is a disgrace that its pay has been so small that it is inclined to feed its worn-out men on charity. Think of men living on organized charity in free America! If the men earned more why didn't the bank pay more; if they did not earn more, did not earn enough to protect themselves in old age, then it is mere charity and nothing else.

All the Christian (?) nations are arming. It is so like the character of the Christ to arm to kill! The rulers of all Europe and America are taxing the people to build war ships and equip armies because they are so filled with brotherly love for each other. And we deprecate the churches condemning such action? No, they are supporting the governments in all instances. Can a church be Christian that does not condemn war? Hardly.

The contractors for the coal supply of Chicago are furnishing coal "largely dirt" according to the Chicago News. That will increase their profits and the public is only a goose to be plucked. Under Socialism the state or nation would mine and deliver coal and no one would profit by furnishing dirt and charging for coal. Which do you think would be best? Would you prefer to have thieving profitable and the public plundered, or have the public do business for itself? It is up to you.

The Catholic church has started at Chicago to organize all its workmen into a labor union "for the purpose of most effectively fighting and impeding the Socialistic movement in the labor circles." If the church goes into politics to help the trusts control the labor of the country and rob the public by their extortion, it will divide the church. There are many thousands of Catholic members of labor unions who will not give up their organization and fight them at the dictation of their spiritual advisers. That was tried in Europe, which was largely Catholic, and it did not work there and it will not work here.

What difference does it make to the American people whether they pay \$48,000,000 a year to the Standard Oil Co. in dividends or whether they pay that much to support a royal family? What more can kings do than levy a tribute on the people? And do not all the trust levy a tribute on them? No use blaming the trusts—they are not to blame. You who vote into office men who believe in the private ownership of the earth and the fullness thereof are the real culprits. You vote for private ownership and get sheared by it. Do you like the shearing? Why not use your brains more and your muscle less? You will be richer and happier.

The Chinese exclusion law expires in six months. Unless renewed this winter, this country will be flooded with Chinese who will come in swarms and take the places of Americans at wages that Americans cannot live on. The corporations are all fighting to prevent this law being renewed that they may have cheap labor that has no votes. If this is done, there will be race riots in this country the like of which has never been witnessed on earth. The working people of this country have shown in the past that they are unwilling to have the Chinese displace them in their native land. Great events will occur out of this subject. The congressmen and senators the working people have elected will serve the wishes of the corporations. Mind the prediction. Beware the result. It will teach the workers to quit voting for their masters, however.

Yes, the farmer is independent! No mistake on this point. Everybody says so, and of course everybody knows it. Most independent life there is. You have heard that often. Let's see. The plow trust prods him on plows; the twine trust twists him on twine; the implement trust imposes on him for implements; the wire trust wallops him on wire; the lumber trust lampoons him on lumber; the leather trust larrups him on leather; the sugar trust socks him on sugar; the transportation trust takes terrible toll on traffic; all the other trusts take a slice out of him. And they not only skin him on everything he buys BUT THEY PUT THE PRICE ON EVERYTHING HE RAISES AND SELLS! O, yes, the farmer is independent! See how he takes his family to Europe every year! If you don't believe it get a microscope and look at his prosperity and independence.

MASONS AND ODD FELLOWS.

Said a lodge man to me recently. "The teachings of either of these orders are the purest of Socialism. They have for their object the promotion of the very end of Socialism. Any member of either order who is not a Socialist either does not know what Socialism stands for or does not know what his order exists for. Socialism is trying to put into every day life the principles of these orders."

SOCIALISM WILL give every child the comforts of a good home.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child as good, wholesome food as any other child.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child as good clothing as any other child.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child as much schooling as it will or can take.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child the best of instruction and entertainment.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child a training for some useful vocation in life.

SOCIALISM WILL give every child, when grown, a place to exercise the calling it has been given, without loss of time, and at as good remuneration as any other worker in the nation.

SOCIALISM WILL provide national entertainments for the pleasure of the people and not for the profit of a few.

SOCIALISM WILL destroy all private trusts and corporations by making a public trust for the benefit of all.

SOCIALISM WILL give each worker the full results of their efforts and parents will not have to send children to the factory when they should be at school. And they would not be permitted to send them to the factory if they wanted to.

SOCIALISM WILL take from the housewife most of the drudgery, by supplying each house with all the modern appliances for doing the work. Most of the food will be prepared in public establishments under the highest scientific method.

SOCIALISM WILL introduce the millennium.

The Appeal is in receipt of a postal card request from the Register, Neodesha, Kansas, for a printer who "Must do fair, clean job and display composition, handle presses, make up and rustle three galleys of local news. Pay \$7 a week to a fair man who will keep sober and attend to business. Board \$3 a week." The Register is one of the prosperity howlers. If \$4 a week and board for a man who has attained the skill of printer, pressman and editor is not evidence that labor is well paid and fully employed, what would you call it? It is because the laborers elect such men and vote their tickets that labor is offered the beggarly \$4 a week and board. And so long as the workingmen will tolerate such a system, they will have to put up with such miserable pay. A republican ought to be ashamed to make such an offer. It is an insult. Only men who are too poor to resist would accept such beggar's pay. And it is to the interest of employers to employ men who people so they can get their work done for nothing. Under Socialism no man or woman would have to accept less than \$3,000 a year for an eight hour day. But that would make slaves of the workers! They are free and independent when they have to work for \$4 a week and board! Workers, continue to vote the old tickets so you will continue to prosper on such wages.

Send that postal card with your name and address to the Appeal today. The paper needs it as evidence.

The German Catholics of Chicago have formed "vigilance committees" to fight Socialism and anarchism, say the city press, and also to fight the free schools and especially free text books. This would infer that all Catholics are anti-Socialists. On the contrary a majority of the priests of Belgium and Holland are Socialists as well as a considerable percentage of those in France and Germany, and such of the priests of this country as understand Socialism are Socialists. Those who oppose it are talking through their hats. This action will help Socialism, for it will keep the subject in the minds of the people and they will read and become converted. Anything that causes the people to discuss or cuss any subject always makes for its propaganda. The Catholic church will split on this subject unless it recedes from its position as it did in France.

The American Federation of Labor sent Santiago Iglesias to Porto Rico to organize the laborers there, and he was arrested immediately on his landing! The trusts that are gutting the island do not propose that the laborers shall get away from them. Mr. Gompers has entered a protest against the outrage with the president. When some rich skinner goes there to scoop in the wealth created by labor—he is arrested on his arrival—nit! He is met by the wealthy and banqueted at the swell hotels. Will labor forever remain the under dog in the struggle? Will they ever learn that they have the votes to elect their friends instead of ever using it to elect their enemies?

Immediately upon the receipt of this issue every comrade of the Appeal army should write us a postal card stating that he is a subscriber of the Appeal to Reason. Be sure and sign your name as it appears on the label of your paper. Get all your friends, who are subscribers of the Appeal, to do the same.

The servant girls of Germany are organizing for higher wages, better treatment and the abolition of police surveillance. They threaten if it is not given that some cold morning the misses will find they are servantless and will have to get their own meals. Why shouldn't they? Of what use to the world is a class of women who never do any work but live like butterflies while their sisters have to work eighteen hours a day for a mere beggar's portion? Why should one human being have to live for the pleasure and profit of another human being? Away with such slavery.

THE APPEAL ARMY.

By John M. Werk.

On the social horizon arose a cloud of dust, As if an army were on the march; And as it nearer drew, the eye discerned the hosts of capitalism.

Why Not Get Rid of the Parasites.

The present system of society is a very absurd arrangement. Some work ten and twelve hours a day, while others do not work at all.

Morality is no test of membership in the church or in the "smart set." And well, a man who is honest and has the courage to tell the truth about our social system stands but a poor show in politics.

A Law Which is Never Enforced.

The following law was enacted by congress in 1892, and is contained in Section 16, of Chapter 370, Revised Statutes of the United States:

To prevent such employe from obtaining employment, is hereby declared to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in any court of the United States of competent jurisdiction in the district in which such offense was committed, shall be punished for each offense by a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$1,000.

But the Appeal Will Continue.

Editor Appeal to Reason: I am going to give you my opinion about this infernal Socialism that you are building the hopes of all the hired men in this country with.

SQUIRE SCRIPPER.

New Milford, Conn., Oct. 23, 1901.

The Dissolution of the Home.

The Boston Post reports these remarks as made by Rev. George L. McGuirt, in an address at the Berkeley Temple on Sunday, October 17. Study them well, you self-satisfied, well fed minister of the gospel:

A Call to Women.

A new organization is being formed, the purpose of which is to teach the principles of Socialism, and to advance in every possible way the ethical and economic issues of the Socialist party.

Editor Appeal to Reason.

The cause of Socialism has been materially advanced in this city during the past few days through the instrumentality of Rev. Carl D. Thompson.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Oct. 29.

SOCIALISM NOT AN END.

I do not look upon Socialism as an end, but as a means. If it were only to build up a party, or even to elect my candidate to office, I would not speak one word in its favor.

Socialism Coming.

There is a vast difference between building a permanent issue for a political party and building the permanent issue for the race.

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every comrade should do. Such action generally would make tremendous changes in a year.

You will always regret it if you fail to secure one of those gold watches. When your friends ask you where you got the new watch you will be mighty proud to open the case and show them that it was given you by the Appeal for meritorious work for Socialism.

For Meritorious Work for SOCIALISM.

The Appeal to Reason's souvenir gold watches have been awarded as follows: D. A. White, Saco, Me., 1st week, 50 subscribers.

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"HEAVE HO."

The Appeal is often called optimistic because it has a good deal to say about the far-reaching influence of the "stray copy." It has good cause for believing in the effectiveness of the "stray copy." Hardly a day goes by without a letter from some one telling how by chance he came into possession of a stray copy of the Appeal, got interested and now wants to know more about Socialism.

SOCIALISM IN GERMANY.

W. E. Curtis, writing in the Chicago Record-Herald, Nov. 8 from Berlin, says the Socialists are the largest and strongest of all the political organizations in Germany and are growing at an extraordinary rate. He goes on to say that they have increased from 124,000 in 1871 to more than 2,000,000 at the last election, and would have the greatest representation in the reichstag were it not for the ferryman in favor of the royalty that requires them to cast twice as many votes for a member as do other parties.

W. W. Cook, a writer on corporation law, (quoted from the Keokuk Gate City) speaking of the progress of Socialistic attacks on property, points to the United States supreme court and its decisions as the final bulwarks of public honor, honesty and private property. In England he says it is the house of lords, in Germany the crown and in France the fear of the commune.

about them have been tightening their twisted cords. I thank the lawyer Cook for his brutal frankness.

LABOR UNIONS AND SOCIALISM.

Some few months ago, the edict went forth from the trust headquarters in New York that the labor unions must be destroyed. Since that time, the trust managers have been quite active. The result has been that they have forced the men to practically abandon the hope of permanently relieving their condition by means of the union.

It must not be inferred that the unions have all declared for Socialism, but the Socialists have always been the friends of the unions, have had their demands in their platforms, both here and in Europe, and now that the unions have declared for political action there is no doubt that they will quit voting the old tickets that have betrayed them and there is no other than the Socialists that they can go to.

The National Business Men's League, composed of the trusts and their pets, have asked President Roosevelt to establish a department of commerce and transfer the consular service to it, that the government officials abroad may be turned wholly into drummers for the rich, at the government expense. They are not bashful in their demands. When the laboring people ask something they are entitled to, they are told that this government is not a charity institution!

The New York World prints the statement that six men control one billion dollars in real cash—being one half of the nation's volume of money. By the control of this they can destroy values by withholding the money supply and can then buy in and raise the price by throwing the money into circulation again, making money easy. That is what they have been doing for years and one of the chief factors in the concentration of wealth.

Li Hung Chang, just dead, is referred to as the great Chinese statesman and patriot. He is reported as having accumulated a fortune of \$400,000,000 by stealing the appropriations for war and internal improvements. There ought to be no question about his patriotism. Such are the patriots of all countries except ours.

The government pays \$7 a ton for coal for the war ships, according to the report of Rear Admiral Bradford just out. The coal trust, which is represented in congress and senate, has an interest in the building of more war ships. There is something in it for them.

Mrs. Pepper of Kentucky has her picture in the papers because she won \$40,000 betting on her horses. Betting is gambling. But it some how brings honor to some people. Gambling was once considered a crime. How things have changed since the rule of the rich has come.

The Socialists of Norway have become so strong that they have refused affiliation with the radicals and have decided to pursue a policy of their own. See it grow.

How About Thanksgiving?

The great body of the American people celebrate the Fourth of July with gunpowder, wheels and sky rockets. In all great labor centers the working people celebrate Labor Day by imposing parades and more or less speech making.

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 31. Reading was done in the town of Purulhuan, Mexico, today a terrible riot, in which about twenty men, women and children were shot down. Many were killed. Some time back the Mexican government, on account of the damage removed the duty on corn from the United States, and shipments from the states for a time served to relieve the situation.

That is horrible, but only what can be expected of private capitalism. It is the same the world over. I have said some very harsh things about the men at the head of the Mexican government, for they have deserved it, but I am prepared to say a good word in connection with this matter. It was probably called forth by more or less selfish motives to keep the people in a mood to support the existing system, but nevertheless deserves credit in this age when speculators deal in the flesh and blood of their fellow beings.

What is the difference between "government" ownership of public utilities and "public" ownership of them? C. C. GOODWIN.

Merely a difference of expression. The people today look at government as something separate and apart from themselves, because today government is operated by a few for the interest of a few, and is looked upon with suspicion by the majority of the people. If you suggest government ownership to people, at once comes up before them the political corruption, the bribery and scandals mentally connected with government, and they oppose the idea of government ownership.

attract the attention of everybody wholly, for they will have no private business to take up the most intense of their thoughts. We have so little public business today that everybody but the politicians neglect it, and they know this, do as they please, and sell out to the rich who want laws more favorable for skinning the public.

NOTHER \$1,000,000,000 TRUST

The seven great railroads—Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Northern Pacific, Great Northern, St. Paul, Burlington and Chicago Northwestern—with 47,000 miles of track, have been consolidated under one ownership. All the commerce of the great northwest will now be at the mercy of one set of directors whose business it will be to squeeze out of the public the last possible cent, and if any business man objects to the robber rates, that man will be crushed out of business by the same means that the Standard Oil has so successfully adopted.

A committee of gentlemen representing the smaller trust, visited Argentine a few days ago. After looking the plant over, hearing the appeals of the proud workmen and the complaints of the business interests the committee gave it out that it "WOULD RECOMMEND a remodeling of the plant and the reopening of it within a year."

Atchison, Kansas, rock-ribbed republican, has voted to do away with private ownership of the water plant and make it public. The private concern service was poor and the charges exorbitant. The council decided that the people could get better service and at less cost by owning the plant as a public utility.

Millionaire Tilt, who went to live in a cottage with the workers at the factory at Endicott, N. Y., has returned to Chicago to live. It seems that the other members of the firm objected to his views and he resigned. The others were possibly leary that he would teach the workers some things about their rights that it were better for capitalists they did not know, that capital could profit by their political ignorance.

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Let's give Mr. Madden a surprise party on the 29th by placing before him the evidence of the strength of the Socialist sentiment in this country. Send him a postal card, stating that you are a subscriber to the Appeal, so that it will reach him not later than the 25th. One hundred thousand of these silent witnesses to the effect that the subscription list of the Appeal is a paid one will convince him that he is barking up the wrong tree. DO IT TODAY.

The 1,300 employes of Lipton in England are on strike because they cannot live on their miserable pay. This is the Lipton that has been squandering hundreds of thousands in yacht racing. Under Socialism the workers would own and direct the industries and would not have their wages squandered in such foolery for the pleasure of one man.

Englishmen can mail 12 pounds of merchandise through their mails for 11 cents. We can not mail it at any price through our mail. If we divide it up into less than four pound packages we can mail it for \$1.92. That is to make people patronize the express companies. You see the express companies understand the benefit of owning congress. But we are a free people while the English suffer under a king!

A REPUBLICAN PESSIMIST.

Lyman J. Gage described to the bank clerks of Denver his beginnings in the banking business, when he worked as office boy for \$100 a year. He gave the clerks good advice as to how to rise in finances and business. It looks very nice, but they can't all become secretaries of the treasury. Furthermore, they can not all become bank presidents, nor half of them, nor a tenth of them. It is of no use to deny that the conditions now are very different from those of Mr. Gage's boyhood.

I quote the above just to show that republicans have no policy which they hope will make any change in the onward march of private monopoly and greed. The promise they hold out is for ninety-nine men to be the servants of the one! That they must be content with industrial slavery! That subordination is the lot of the masses! And the only thing for people to do is to be pleasant to their fellow slaves so as to make the slavery as bearable as possible!

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Application for Charter for a Local Branch of The SOCIALIST PARTY

Headquarters: Room 427 Emilie Bld. LEON GREENBAUM, Nat'l Sec'y.

TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE, SOCIALIST PARTY: We, the undersigned, having severed our relations with all other parties, and endorsing the platform and constitution of the SOCIALIST PARTY, hereby apply for admission to (and for a charter for) a Local Branch of said Socialist Party in the Town of _____ State of _____

NAMES OF APPLICANTS. ADDRESSES OF APPLICANTS. OCCUPATIONS. Total number of members in Branch. Enclosed find a report of the meeting in which organization was decided on, and the names of persons participating, together with \$5.00, being the amount of national dues, at five cents per member for the current month.