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In New York the other day eighty-business (?) men and a prince sat down to a twenty minute "business man's" luncheon.

Each one of these eighty men represented one million slaves. They had a "good time." The eighty million slaves paid the bill.

None of the Appeal Army comrades were invited to this twentieth century, twenty thousand dollar feed. These eighty owners of the United States probably don't know there is such an Army.

He will know that flunkeyism and commercialism are dying out of the world, and that Socialism is being born into it. Do not delay securing one of these buttons.

To save looking up the records every time you come in with a club of subscribers, please note on the bottom of your list, just below your name and address: I have button No. ...

I have a large number of inquiries concerning the reliability of the Co-operative Building company, of Kansas City, that recently had an advertisement in the Appeal.

The president of the "Retail Implement Dealer's Association, of Kansas," is out in a letter against the Kansas Penitentiary twine factory, which has saved hundreds of thousands of dollars to the farmers.

The Pacific Cable company is lobbying congress through every possible commercial relation to prevent congress from building a government cable to the Philippines.

What is the difference in its effects on the people whether they live under a king who taxes them and then throws some of his booty to the poor or to colleges, or whether they are skinned by the Standard Oil company out of \$40,000,000 a year, and have the oil king throw some crumbs to the churches and colleges to induce them to miseducate the people?

The fellows who hold up their hands in horror at the increase in the number of government employes that any public industry would create, are just the fellows who are howling for a greater number of public employes IN THE ARMY.

This Document Was Suppressed By the United States.

Jos. K. Ohi, special correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution, under date of December 27, 1901, writes his paper from Manila: "It was discovered that there were being circulated among the Filipinos copies of the American Declaration of Independence, done in English and Spanish in parallel columns.

When, in the course of human events, it became necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitles them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

He has refused to assent to laws the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. He has forbidden his governors to pass laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operations, till his assent should be obtained; and, when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of representation in the legislature; a right inestimable to them, and formidable to tyrants only.

He has erected a multitude of new offices, and sent hither swarms of officers, to harass our people, and eat out their substance. He has kept among us in times of peace, standing armies, without the consent of our legislatures.

He has effected to render the military independent of, and superior to, the civil power. He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his assent to their acts of pretended legislation:—

For taking away our charters, abolishing our most valuable laws, and altering, fundamentally, the powers of our government; For suspending our own legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

We, therefore, the representatives of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in general congress assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for rectitude of our intentions, do, in the name and by the authority of the good people of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown, and that all political connections between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved; and that, as FREE and INDEPENDENT STATES, they have full power to levy war, conclude peace, contract alliances, establish commerce, and do all other acts and things which Independent States may of right do.

I am not come to praise the "Immortal Declaration of Independence," but to bury it. The officers say it is an infamous, incendiary document—and the government would not employ any but patriotic and noble officers.

- Button Gwinnett. Samuel Chase. Robt. Morris. Thos. M. Treat. Wm. Whipple. Lyman Hall. Wm. Pain. Benjamin Rush. Wm. Floyd. Sam. Adams. Geo. Walton. Thos. Stone. Benj. Franklin. Phil. Livingston. John Adams. Wm. Hooper. Charles Carroll of Carrollton. John Morton. Francis Lewis. Robert Treat Paine. Joseph Hewes. George Wythe. Geo. Clymer. Lewis Morris. Elbridge Gerry. Matthew Thornton. John Penn. Richard Henry Lee. Jas. Smith. Rich'd Stockton. Stev. Hopkins. Edward Rutledge. Th. Jefferson. Geo. Taylor. Jno. Witherspoon. William Ellery. Thos. Hayward. Junr. Benj. Harrison. James Wilson. Fras. Hopkinson. Roger Sherman. Thomas Lynch, Junr. Thos. Nelson, Jr. Geo. Ross. John Hart. Sam'l Huntington. Arthur Middleton. Carter Braxton. Caesar Rodney. John Hancock. Wm. Williams. John Hancock. Francis Lightfoot Lee. Geo. Read. Josiah Bartlett. Oliver Wolcott.

love of men for liberty—and liberty is hurtful and dangerous. For the officers and the men who appoint them are agreed on this—and they are Honorable men. No more on Independence Day shall the hateful, incendiary thing come forth from its sepulcher to entice the spirit of our youth to throbs for freedom; no more shall the orator be permitted to drag the corpse forth on parade for the ambitions of our mistaken revolutionary Fathers.

A reader objects to the position of John Ruskin printed recently, where he says "That mercenary preaching and law-giving must be entirely abolished." Ruskin is right. He is much wiser than his critic, as he will convince him if he will but read his works.

"Uncle" George Pollock, Elkhart, Ind., after running an engine for thirty-eight years, except four, in which he was in the war, has just been given his reward by being sent to the poor house.

The German "Prince" has condescended to visit the great nation, and see how the masters manage to get so rich off their slaves.

H. Cavanaugh, writing in the Cleveland Daily Press from Montgomery, Ala., tells the sad story of 6-year-old children working for thirty cents a week in the cotton mills of that state.

The working people all over the world live in huts, shanties, and cheap buildings, while they have built palaces for the drones and skinkers.

Delgado & Co., New Orleans, sends out a circular to the trade, in which they say: "Thanking to the continued advance in glucose, the market on our PURE Louisiana MOLASSES has advanced."

I wish you would quit talking about the interests of "capital and labor" being alike or unlike. It is miserably misleading.

A SOUVENIR

For Meritorious Work for Socialism. Every week until further notice the Appeal will give a GOLD WATCH to the subscriber...

Eighty millionaires gave a twenty-minute luncheon to Prince Henry in New York that cost \$20,000. All the servants—mark the word—were uniformed in the servile habiliments...

Two Significant Items.

London, Feb. 11.—More than a year ago was announced the formation in Rome of a Catholic association deliberately designed to fight Socialist labor organizations.

Appeal Army

Address no letters intended for the Appeal to any employe in the office. Address all such letters to Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kan.

On the average only one man in each hundred in the United States subscribes for the Appeal. In some places there are none, and in others there are 50%.

The statement is going around in the press that a strike has occurred in the Appeal office. The statement is without any foundation in fact.

A Catholic Socialist organization to spread Socialism among the Roman Catholics of Chicago was announced today by a number of local Socialists.

ACT I—Scene 1. Curtain rises; red-headed Fairy seated at c. wearily playing "O, Socktoteem, Tell Them to Stop."

Section 8 of Article 1, of the Constitution, says: "The congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States."

The Socialist leaders declare that they will now invade every parish, particularly those of the foreign-speaking people, and will organize Socialist circles among Catholic young men.

Comrade Barsha: "Most potent, brave and doughty warriors; I bring from the hunting grounds of Howard Park, twenty-nine scalps of the paleface."

A Railroad View of the Case.

The Railway Employees Journal, commenting on the recent reported raise of ten per cent wages, and 37% in the price of food stuff, says: "The railway employes are a man come to you every day of his life and handed you \$10, not because you were a nice clean man, would you object to giving him back \$2 so he could live a little longer?"

Redhead: "Marks, the lawyer?" Comrade Baird: "Nay, my giddy damsel. This troop does not carry two Marks, two bulldogs and two Topseys; but one Marx, author of the play whose surname is Karl, one bulldog whose front name is Appeal, and one Topsey whose top is red."

I note in the current news that this government has bought some islands of Denmark paying about \$35 an acre for some rocky cliffs. But for the government to buy some good land in its own country on which to put men to make their own living—why, that would simply be impossible!

The Real Law Maker.

The Kansas City Star, a republican independent paper, comments on the law-making functions of the government as follows: "The steel trust dictates the republican tariff policy. This is the frank confession made by Speaker Henderson to Mr. J. H. Funk of Iowa in a letter printed in the Iowa State Register."

Toledo, Ore., has a Socialist club of sixty members. Comrade Krogstad claims this is the largest club in the state.

At Logansport, Ind., the city charge for lighting dwellings with electricity is in no instance twenty cents per light per month, and when sixty-seven lights are used in one house the charge is only \$1.25 cents a month—or less than two cents per light per month for all night service!

It's Not Different from Others.

Speaking of a bill pending before congress, Grosvener, republican, of Ohio, said: "I believe that at the root of this bill and this proposition lies a menace to the liberties of this country and an assault upon personal rights and freedom."

Local, Marshalltown, Iowa, has twenty-six members, all of whom are active workers. Comrade Hoy says the bulldog is responsible for it.

Taking advantage of a law that required what seemed an impossible number of signatures of voters, the referendum league of Chicago has filed 109,000 names demanding a vote of the people whether they want the city to own the street cars, electric light and gas plants, and demanding the nomination of all city officers by direct vote instead of primary.

An Argument for Old Age Pensions.

Alone, sick and freezing, seventy-two-year-old Joseph Troch, who lived in a rickety shanty in Bay Ridge, was found dead of starvation and exposure early this morning in his bed, says the New York Journal.

The Dalles, Ore., gang report that they had the greatest time of their lives on the 26th of February, when Mills spoke there. The Dalles comrades are doing some splendid work these days.

The general understands the power of dividing his enemy and beating him; the king understands the power of dividing his opponents; the capitalists understand the power of dividing the laboring man. Socialists should understand that concentration is their hope, and that division weakens them and their engines of propaganda.

Keep it in mind, comrades.

Keep it in mind, comrades, that the Appeal is now prepared to do all kinds of job-printing and pamphlet work. A postal card will bring prices and samples.

Every member of Local, Ely, Ore., is a reader of the Appeal, and feeling sorry for their neighbors who do not know of the good news have ordered a bundle of ten for distribution among them.

A copy of "Municipal Ownership—Facts and Figures," should be placed in every house in every town and city in the land, in the next few weeks before election. It will do great good, and start many minds to investigating.

FACTS AND FIGURES

The most of us are just beginning to get acquainted with the facts and figures of Socialism. A booklet of 16 pages, 50 cents, covers the ground.

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An apology is due for the poor paper used. It is not what was bargained for, but any port in a storm. We have to use it. The next shipment will be different—and better I hope.

Municipal Ownership, Facts and Figures

has been prepared to meet the demand for just that kind of material. It is 16 pages, 50 cents, and covers the ground.

Comrade Bond, of Pomeroy, Wash., 72 years old, sends us a club of eighty-seven new subscribers. What have you young fellows got to say now? He says he started out to get five or ten, but found it so easy that he just kept right on, and only quit because it was time to go home.

Praise the monopolists from whom all blessings flow; praise them all wage slaves here below. Praise Wealth and Greed and Manhood Lost; praise them who skin your flesh the most.

Why should Americans honor a King or Prince?

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Several young Texas railroad men have given up hope of owning the road, or even of becoming general manager, so they are quietly preparing themselves to become citizens of the Co-operative Commonwealth. The smiling countenances of a number of them will be much in evidence at the next term of the I. S. S. E. Training School.

I wonder what the German people, who are trying to throw off the yoke of monarchy, think of the funkiness of Americans in their indecent adoration of a Prince?

How many times did the Prince spit yesterday? Don't you know? Why, you are not a good citizen! Shame on you!

Nearly all the labor papers are now printing articles from the Socialist press. A great change in two years.

The El Paso, Texas, Socialist club, which meets every Monday night in the Masonic building, maintains a question box—concises questions and brief, scientific answers. They are seriously considering a move to turn it into a regular class for the study of Social Economics—politics in Socialism is always second to education.

Many inquiries for Socialist magic lantern slides. Can any comrades supply the demand?

lectures. Notwithstanding the fact that the town was burdened with a free medicine show and a magic lantern show, we had a good attendance both nights. The next time we have a speaker we will ask the Appeal to send us the Fiji and the bulldog to take care of the overflow meetings.

Comrade Feist, late of El Paso, Texas, writes from New Zealand that he is enjoying life immensely in that up-to-date little country where working men reign—but still the indications are that the Co-operative Commonwealth will first be inaugurated in the United States, where capitalism will first reach its complete development, and thus compel the change.

The gang at St. Joseph, Mo., got together a short time ago and organized a local club of the party. They are making it a point to have a number of good speakers up there as often as possible.

A new street car system has just been installed at El Paso, Texas, most of the rough work being done by Mexican laborers from across the border. The contractor's excuse was that white labor could not be secured—and it couldn't either—at the starvation wages offered.

Finnegan's Cigar Store.

The usual gang was gathered around the stove in Finnegan's little cigar store "just around the corner." "McSweeney was in here today," said Finnegan, as he passed out a cheroot to the grocery clerk.

"Well, here he comes. Just you fellows ask him for the story." After the usual greetings McSweeney was asked to corroborate Finnegan's rather startling statement.

"Well, fellows," said Mac, "I don't blame you for not believing it. I wouldn't have believed it myself if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes. One night this summer I was taking a little stroll along Clark street and as it was dreadful hot I turned into one of those basement places to get a glass of beer.

"Yes, make it twenty thousand," interrupted Finnegan. "Well, maybe it was. Anyway he was well known. Well, I just made up my mind I'd get next to her and find out what it all meant. The lockmen went out in about a half hour and I got up and went over to where Nellie was sitting. 'I'm awful dry,' she says, without hardly looking at me. What are you doing here, Nellie Brown, I said? My! how she jumped and arched kinder red, at least I thought, she did. He was painted up so it was hard to tell."

"You have one more week in which to get in your clubs on the gold Army button contest. Remember this contest closes at 6 p. m. on March 14.

Comrades who came in for single copies of Dewey's book, "The Ideal Republic," are now coming back with orders for it in lots of twelve, fifty, and even 100.

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G. M. Stanley, Jackson, Mich.: "I have received the December Wayland's Monthly, (Socialism in a Nutshell), and find it the best thing I ever saw on Socialism to enlist attention of outsiders. Why cannot they be scattered by the millions?"

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Please honor the Prince. It is so becoming of a republic, don't you know, to honor royalty? God save the Prince! Shades of Washington! Has the republic gone mad; totally insane? Down with monarchy!