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THE MENACE TO AMERICA

How the Capitalist Dictator Across the Mexican Border Has Crushed Labor to a State of Peonage, and is Now Using It in Behalf of American Capitalism.

(Here is an object lesson, a concrete example of how capitalism and an oligarchy of wealth can and will crush the working class, massacre the people, loot the land, crush liberty and hope, and fill the world with lies to boister their position. It is not a may be so, but a red fact. Read it, every word. Russia and Turkey, the despotisms of kingcraft, are no worse than Mexico, the despotism of capitalism. Don't say that, because you are an American, this does not concern you, american capitalism is partner in the infamy; the American government countives at it, and captures the tyrant's slaves; the American press, subsidized by gifts wrung from the blood of the Mexican working class, hides the horror with a covering of lies. Capitalists of Mexico dare not pay a decent wage, because the laws forhid it. Labor dares not strike in Mexico, for the American and Mexican soldiery combine to shoot it down. It dare not even complain, for fear of foul dungeons, iynching by order of the tyrant dictator, and massacre by bandit police. These conditions come into commercial competition with American labor. It avails us not to win strikes here, to free our Haywoods and Moyers, if peon labor, crushed under despote beels, at the behest of American capitalism, can do our work across the border for a pittance, leaving our labor dide, and invade the United States to crush the remaining the saying our labor dide, and invade the United States to crush the remaining the law of a foreign dictator, American labor is findance. You may have lost it already. These appalling conditions have been hidden by a crushed and substdized press, and even in America horeign dictator has dared to wreck the press that told the truth. It matters not what your politics may be, it is to YOUR interest to see that ALL AMERICAN LABOR II. AMERICAN LABOR II. It matters not what your politics may be, it is to YOUR interest to see that ALL AMERICAN LABOR II. AMERICAN LABOR II. It matters not what your politics may be, it is to YOUR interest to see that ALL AMERIC

Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason

Why There is No Revelt.

Fear of this possibility, as much as

anything else, is the thing today that

is keeping the Mexican people quiet in

the midst of their intolerable situation

An-inherent pride which amounts to a

passion prevents them from rising and

attempting the overthrow of the dicta-

torship. Had the Mexican people posi-

government would not interfere they

would spring to arms from Guatamala

to the Rio Grande, and in less than a week the sound of Diaz's defeated

which, if attempted, will be resisted by the last Mexican left alive. Rather than

risk this possibility the plundered, op-

pressed and outraged, but yet nation loving people, prefer to preserve their

national integrity, even though it means

Through the writings of journalists

and historians, whose accounts have been

colored by the silver and gold of the dictator, Diaz has been represented to the world as the savior and upbuilder

of his country. Within the last eight-

een months American, English, French and German magazines have contained

glowing tributes to the wisdom and ex-

ecutive power of the man, who, it is alleged, put down revolution, enforced

peace, invited foreign capital and united in happy prosperity the warring tribes of Mexico. If the American working

class is to intelligently understand the

cause of the present imprisonment of Ricardo Flores Magon and his fellow

revolutionists in an American jail it is

also necessary that they correctly un-derstand the true chacter of Porfirio

Diaz, the circumtances that placed him

at the head of the Mexican government and something of the real history of

Mexican political and industrial devel-

opment since the nation threw off the

When Mexico Was Happy.

Talk to a peon of his miserable condi-tion, and he will not point with hope to

the coming morrow; he will revert to the time when the great Benito Juarez

and the beginning of democracy. It 1821 the first constitution was set forth

which, in 1839, was replaced by a more democratic document. The last and present constitution was adopted Febru-

dependence there has been constant

strife between the liberal party, or party

While it is true that today peonage

Spanish yoke in 1810.

poverty and the rule of Diaz.

MEXICO, with 15,000, stitute the wealthy Mexican class, who, with the foreign capitalist class, are interested in the continuance of existing fied climate, grand natuconditions in Mexico. Should the workral scenery and almost ing class revolt there is no question but limitless resources, today that Diaz and his gang of pirates would is under the iron heel of instantly ask and receive aid from the especially from the United States.

a despotism as absolute as the Russian ruling classes of foreign nations, and autocracy. With a constitution far more liberal and democratic than that of the United States, guaranteeing free assemblage, free speech, free press, popular elections, compulsory education and freedom of contract between employer and employe, the government is arbitrary to a superlative degree and is administered by a monster whose very name strikes terror to the hearts of his Since the accession of Diaz to power there has been no liberty in tive assurance that the United States Mexico, no exercise of the voting franchise, no untrammelled discussion of popular questions either by voice or pen, and while there has been a measure of prosperity and improvement, it has been at the expense both of the natural resources of the country and of the United States is undesirable to the natural resources of the country and of

Citizens of the United States living near the international boundary line. conversant with the situation, shudder when they look over into the lonely untains and barren plains of Mexico. On leaving Texas, Arizona or California the visitor to Mexico bids his relatives and friends farewell as if he were about to make a pilgrimage into the unknown. Immediately upon crossing the line the despotic influence of Diaz is felt. Uniformed guards with loaded rifles officiate at the entrance, are constantly present in every part of the country and are much in evidence at the final port of departure. The atmosphere is charged with the military spirit and at all times the visitor is possessed of an undefinable consciousness of the presence of the ubiquitous spy. From the time one leaves the doubtful freedom of Uncle Sam until he again steps beneath the protection of the stars and stripes he wanders through Mexico in uncertain safety and with a dread feeling that every moment some assassin will spring at him from behind and atab or shoot him in the back.

A Prey to Fereign Adventurers. From the time of the ruthless slaughter of the Aztecs by Cortez until the invasion of the country by American capitalists Mexico has been the prey of foreign adventurers. Naturally jealous of their rich and beautiful country the Mexican people have resisted every en-croachment, and more than once at the point of the bayonet have driven the has constituted the national watchward since the organization of the Mexican lous opportunity for the working results of the working results. nd until Diaz usurped the scepter of authority this sentiment was kept inviolate. Knowing that his selfhateful to the power at any cost, Disz, astute and unthat overthrew the national idea. Valuable concessions of mineral and agri-cultural lands, manufacturing sites and conditions permanently education was terms of admission were so fixed that no member of the peon or working class

by American capitalists alone has been variously estimated from \$500,000,000 to \$1,500,000,000. James Creelman, in ary 5, 1857.

Since the proclamation of Mexican in Since the proclamation of Mexican in places American holdings in Mexico at 8800,000,000. Perhaps \$1,000,000,000 would be a fair and adequate estimate.

of the people, and the conservative party, or party of the clericals, capital-ists and militarists. In the war with Those who have benefited by Diar's generosity naturally laud their benefactor to the skies, and will not hesitate to employ any means, should occasion arise, to perpetuate his reign. While parceling the resources of the lation among enterosities (organization) Spain the conservative elements, like the traved their countrymen by arraying themselves on the side of the invader. At all times the conservatives opposed constitutional liberty, fought the adoption of any written constitution and hated with all of their religious and aristocratic blood Benito Juarez, the great demohome were not neglected. Every mil-arist and politician who followed him to the conquest of his country was re-warded with phinder literally stolen rights of the people against the rebelli-from the people. These men now con-ous minority. When Juarez was ele-

Foreign Interference Begins.

It was declared that unrest and revolution prevailed in the republic of Mexico, that life and property were not safe as the world never saw before or since. Juarez was rapidly disbanding the army, as provided by the constitution, and was advising the organization of a volunteer national guard. Arrangements were being made for the extension of the public school system of education, and the curtailment of the power of the priesthood. Public improvements, employing Mexican workers at the highest wages rate, were in progress, and, while enormous individual fortunes at the expense of the people were discouraged, legitimate wealth getting by men of honest purpose was encouraged. This condition of things proved intolerable to the clericalcapitalist-military combination, and at their solicitation the tri-partite convention, composed of representatives of England, France and Spain, met in London, England, in October, 1861.

The total actual debt of the Mexican republic at that time was \$50,000,000 but with interest and other claims said to be outstanding, it amounted to about \$100,000,000. Juarez announced that he was perfectly wiling to co-operate with any proposition that looked to the paythe legitimate national debt but that he would not consent to the despoilation of his countrymen for the benefit of the church or private capitalists. Claims held by private Eng-lish, Spanish and French capitalists Juarez stated that he was perfectly willing to consider; if they were just, his country, he said, would settle them; if guns would give way to the joy-bells of they were not, then they would not be

Fraudulent Claims Enforced. Spain had a claim against Mexico sounting to several millions, which represented expenses incurred by the Spanish government in its attempt to subjugate the Mexican people. This old war debt had not been contracted by the Mexican government, and Juarez thought his country ought not to be responsible for its payment. In 1845 Manuel Lizardi had been sent to England by the Mexican government to borrow a sum of money. Lizardi succeeded in negotiating with London bankers a loan of \$500,000, which he put time, in collusion with the bankers, signed a pact by which the Mexican government agreed to pay \$5,000,000 for the loan of the \$500,000. Though the a street fight between a crowd of irre onsible hoodlums, which resulted in slight damages to the shop of a French bread maker. Several panes of glass were broken and some pies and cakes scattered about. As a result the bread maker put in a claim against the Mexican government which, with interuinted to \$1,500,000. This sum which figured in the national debt. Juarez decided was unjust, and he so announced. Another claim amounting to \$10,000,000 held against the Mexand slavery exist in every state of Mexico, and the poverty of the working class is acute and universal, such has not lishment of Mission del Santo Rosario. sion was a Jesuit institution, with which the Mexican government had nothing to do, and when Padre Marin, a Jesuit, presented the claim for the \$10,000,000, Juarez announced plainly that if he could prevent it the claim would not

Terrorized by Foreign Fleets. uel Doblado, representative of the Mexi-can, government who conferred with the high officers of the three fleets, Justex agreed to pay the debt contracted with the London bankers, and said he would take the other claims under advisement. It was early in the year 1862 that the ing peace prevalent, the country prosper ous and the situation grossly misrepre sented by Juarez's enemies, General Prim, of the Spanish fleet, with the statement that he did not know he had

rated to the presidency in 1859 and began to make effective against the church and military power, the provisions of the constitution, the clerical party sent delegates to England, France and Spain for assistance.

Foreign Interference Begins.

French sailers and seldiers and they belatter's character. In breaking horses gan to make effective against the church osity on the part of Juarez permitted the landing of the French and their constitution, the clerical party sent of the hospitals at Jalapa, near Vera Cruz. This generosity was repaid with treachery by the French, whose trainer, whose son, Porfiro, stood by developing in the part of Juarez permitted the landing of the Prench and their constitution, the clerical party sent of the trade, it is said, the elder Diaz used a chain whip at the end of which the was attached a small spiked steel ball. The horses were beaten into bloody sub-mission with this whip by the horse with treachery by the French, whose trainers are presented in the part of Juarez permitted the constitution, the clerical party sent of the trade, it is said, the elder Diaz used a chain whip at the end of which the constitution, the clerical party sent of the part of Juarez permitted the landing of the French and their constitution, the clerical party sent of the part of Juarez permitted the landing of the French and their constitution, the clerical party sent of the trade, it is said, the elder Diaz used a chain whip at the end of which the constitution, the clerical party sent of the party of general speedily mobilized his forces, proclaimed the republic at an end, anannounced the dictatership of Don Juan Almonte, and marched to the battle of and that Juarez had repudiated the na. Puebla. May 5, now a national Mexican tional debt. These representations were holiday, was fought the battle of Pu-made to the European countries visited ebla in which the invaders were routed by the conservative delegates at a time by the Mexicans under General Zara when Mexico, peaceful and prosprous, gosa. Nearly a year later, the French, was enjoying a liberty, under law, such reinforced by clericals, capitalists and militarists, besieged and captured Pu-ebla. In 1863 Archduke Maximilian, of Austria, was crowned emperor, while Juarez and his cabinet were forced to

take refuge in towns in northern Mex-From 1862 to 1868 the war between Juarez and Maximilian raged, until at last, after fully 1,000,000 Mexican patriots laid down their lives, Maximilian was captured and shot. Juarez re-entered Mexico City amidst the acclaim of the people, and at once set about the work of repairing the wastes of war. first thing he found necessary to do was the disbandment of the large army, and the reorganization of the industries of the country. It is at this time Porfirio Diaz appears prominently on the

Diaz to the Front.

It cannot be denied that during the six years war Diaz fought the French invaders more or less valiantly. He, however, was at no time chief in command of the patriot forcer, as has been represented by his hired newspaper and magazine writers. He occupied subordinate positions and was not especially distinguished until after the close or the war. His prominence came when he opwhich contention he was upheld by the clericals, capitalists, militarists and the adventurous army elements, whose former occupation consisted of highway robbery, murder and rapine, and who refused to lay down their arms when refused to lay down their arms when ordered by Juarez. Furely an adventurer, and being the most notoriously unscrupulous patriot officer possessed of a sword. Diaz toon found himself surrounded by the inslcontents clamoring to be retained on the army pay roll. These bandits and moderers did not reliable the prospect of better in the face. Boldly, with the nustance of the clericals, capitalists and others who opposed a republican form of government, Diaz and his band started a revolution against Juarez. In the midst of the fighting Juarez. In the midst of the fighting which followed Juarez died, and was suc-ceeded by Lerdo de Tejada, in 1872. In a short time Tejada abdicated and fled

the country, thereby enabling Diaz to seize the reins of government. In 1876 Diaz held a mock election and the loan of the \$500,000. Though the Mexican government never received a penny of the loan, it was represented to the British government as a just and honest debt. During the year 1852 in the streets of Vera Cruz there occurred the streets of Vera Cruz there occurred to the presidency. terrible conflict with the French and facing a national debt now increased to
\$300,000,000, the Mexikan people virtually were compelled to submit to the
imposition of Diaz. From that election
to the present day, with the exception
of four years—1880-4, when General
Manuel Gonzales, a. Diaz tool, was
elected, because the constitution, afterward amended, forballe the re-election of
a receivery. Diaz has remained at the a president-Diaz has remained at the

The Dictator Extravagantly Lauded.

Hundreds of thousands of words in laudation of Diaz have been written and published throughout Europe and America until large numbers of people have been induced to believe that his iron rule of Mexico is not through choice, but through necessity, and that could he have his way he would let democracy prevail. It is said by these writers that the Mexican people are not fit for self-government, at the same time declaring that Diar is retained at each recurring election through popular vote, and that were he to resign his office or die revolution would ensue. In Mexico especially every history, magazine and newspaper constantly is made to portray the imaginary virtues of the man, and his tion or the election of his successor. Al-ready the newspaper organs of Diaz, and no newspaper is permitted in Mexico unless it is a Disz organ, are beginning to extol the alleged praiseworthy qualities of Major Perfirio Diaz, Jr., son Diaz, Jr., son o the dictator, and editorially demand that in the event the father refuses re-

money to the catholic church, immediately left Vera Cruz with his fleet and sailed back home. The English admiral followed the example of General Prim, leaving only the French fleet.

France Overthrows Republic.

Napoleon III. of France, however, dreamed of empire, and it was at his instigation that the French fleet remained. Several months stay in Mexican waters proved disastrous to the

used a chain whip at the end of which was attached a small spiked steel ball. mission with this whip by the horse lighted with the process. Every act of cruelty imposed upon dumb snimals by the elder Diaz was engrafted into the growing boyhood of Porfirio, and in after years was reflected in the dictator's savage treatment of his fellowmen.

fiendish disposition was revealed by an incident which every person in Mexica knows about but which is never seen in print. A younger brother, Felix, aged eight, was stretched cut on the floor asleep one warm afternoon, when Porfirjo crept up with a flask filled with gun powder. With the stealthiness of his sleeping brothers' nostrils full powder, after which he applied a lighted match. sleeper's countenance and tore his nose nate victim of Porfirio Diaz's barbarity is known as "Chato" Diaz, meaning thereby, "Pug-Nosed" Diaz.

tarism. Like the great Napoleon, to were thus rivited to him with hooks whom he is said to bear a striking resistronger than steel. Contrary to the semblance by his hired newspaper writ-ers, and with whom he is fond of com-strengthened and enlarged and made paring himself, he organized military the institution of supremest importance companies among his playmates and engaged in sham battles. It is recorded have back of it a powerful army, and that young Diaz never took prisoners in Diaz saw to it that his fighting mathese engagements except to shoot them chine was able always to meet the Here originated the practice which later became the fundamental law of the dictatorship-"Shoot first and investigate afterwards." In his youth Diaz was ever ready to kill, and at fourteen, it is said, he manufactured for himself the rifle with which he

A Nero and Czar. The cruel young fighter early enlisted which the agricultural lords own virin the army, and, it is said, made a good soldier. That means that he be- it with "peon," or enslaved labor. The good soldier. That means that he became a professional murderer, and all
that the term implies. If ever he posican small farmers of their property,
sessed a human heart it turned into a
and their reduction to "peonage," is a sessed a human heart it turned into a and their reduction to "peouage," is a newsone narrative of revolting detail. ing or compassion. His mind acted with precision of marching soldiery and as remorselessly tore through any subis easy. True patriots and lovers of and training gave him a splendid body, and training gave him a splendid body, and today, though seventy-eight years of age, he is said to enjoy almost perfect health. In all his long, eventful, blood-stained career he has never been known to smile. His features are stern to rigidity, and his terrible eyes and huge, square jaws, with the inherent cruelty of his disposition, combine to make him the ideal capitalist ruler—vigorous, unscrupulous, relentless and aristocratic—ready at a moment's notice to ject attacked. His military experience make him the ideal capitalist ruler—vig-orous, unscrupulous, relentless and aris-tocratic—ready at a moment's notice to enforce the law of his class against the

working class.

Since the reign of Nero no monarch of greater ferocity, perhaps, ever cursed the earth, and aside from the Russian machine and enlisting the active aid sonality alive, and that is Theodore Roosevelt. But Diaz, however, disdains rogance claiming to be the superior of the ruler of the United States. Before the Moyer-Haywood-Pettibone trial Diaz looked upon Roosevelt as an equal with himself in every element that enters into the composition of uncrowned king. When, however, Roosevelt merely de-"undersirable citizens," instead of ordering them hanged or shot, the American ruler's stock fell a thousand per cent in the eyes of Diaz. Of course Diaz failed to consider that in the United States, as yet, there are certain forms Not all of them are Mexicans-prob-of law that must be complied with be- ably a third are imported criminalsfore the blood of labor leaders can be

The Tyrant's Use of the Press. For obvious reasons American newspean countries are obligated to Diaz because of concessions in Mexico, and fear of losing these sources of wealth naturally deters them from printing criticisms of their benefactor.

Bought Support of the Army. After taking possession of the gov-

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Here is a chance for every or

ent estates in Mexico, by mean

It will be wondered, perhaps, how it was that Diaz was enabled to accom-

is easy. True patriots and lovers of

plish these changes. The explanation

Juarez did not die a natural death, but

of the most powerful politicians through

land grants and government concessions. The machine thus built up became all

powerful, and, under the guidance of Diaz, has dominated the country ever

An institution, peculiar to the coun

try, which has its counterpart in the Russian cossacks, is the armed band of marauding horsemen known as ru-rales. There are six thousand of these

distributed in the most congreted in-

dustrial districts and they are always

ready for duty. These mounted mur-derers must be seen to be appreciated.

lifsky, is an Austrian who was forced

to leave his country for having com-mitted a murder. The organization of the rurales was really a master-stroke

.ve the cause!

erally reward the commanding of the bandit army which had eleva ed passing their downfall. Political adventurers in the different states, at him to power. Every officer from col- the instance of Diar, in mock election onel to general received a concession of contested for the governships, in which land, a government privilege or bonds. The influential officers of the army contests they received the backing of the regular army. Every regularly elected governor was thus unseated and shot as a rebel and Diaz favorites given the offices. The offices of town and city mayors were abolished, and in them stead were appointed the "jefe cos," or police guardians, who, really, in the land. A strong government must are nothing but military captains appointed by the governors, who, in turn, receive their appointments from the dic-tator. Felix, or "Chato" Diaz, brother necessary requirements. Vast tracts of of the dictator, was made governor of the state of Oaxaca. Bernardo Reyes, an infamous cutthroat, was given the the best agricultural lands in the republic, which at the time were owned and cultivated in small patches by Mex-Creel, former ambassador to the United States, recently received his appointment to the governorship of Chilman ican farmers, were seized, upon orders from Diaz, the owners driven out, or enslaved, and the lands given to military and political favorites. In this way were hands of Diar, regardless of the wishes of the people. All of these governors, in addition to their appointment, were liberally subsidized with concessions and established the "haciendas," or vast presthereby made permanent allies of the

The Diaz arrangement is the most splendid scheme extrat for the perpet-nation of the power of the ring. Diaz, uation of the power of the ring. Diaz himself, enormously rich in concessions and government bonds, has seen to the enrichment of his powerful friends. They are all more or less interested in the management of Diaz, in the work of keeping the people in varsalage and it exploiting the resources of the country. With all of his blunt and bruta methods Diaz is a strategist and dipts.

mat. His first ascension to the dictatorship was through a mock election
on a platform known as the "Plan de
Tuxtepec," in which he promised to
carry out the constitutional principle
of non-re-election. This promise was
entirely unnecessary, however, as he
carried the election at the point of the
hayonet. During his first term of office he added little to the national debt
of \$300,000,000 which was incurred by
Maximilian, preferring to let the hurof \$300,000,000 which was incurred by Maximilian, preferring to let the hurden of rotten financial management fall upon the shoulders of another. This other was Manuel Gonzales, who was elected president by Diaz in 1880, and who served until 1884, when Diaz succeeded him.

Administration of Gonzales

If Gonzales was president, Diaz was the power behind the throne and directed the executive acts of his tool. Gonas if the Mexican people were lined to on the road-side and their pockets r lieved by armed bandits. With Noel zin, a Jew, Gonzales and his princip confederates conspired to establish bank in Mexico City celled the France Ferracie Bank by means of which his Egypcie Bank, by means of which huge Egypcie Bank, by means of which hugs sums of money were borrowed from European countries for the ostensible purpose of effecting harbor and other public improvements. The senate and house of representatives were bribed to enact a law authorizing the establishment of the bank, the money was borrowed and privately pocketed by Gonzales and bis co-conspirators, and then the bank failed. Of course the burden of the learn was assumed by the the bank failed. Of course the bank den of the loans was assumed by the government and added to the national debt. The final act of Gonzales was to change the constitution lengthening the presidential term of office to six years and to permit the president to succeed himself in office.

Tales of moral rottenness on the part of Gonzales and his garg are told that

Tales of moral rottenness on the pare of Gonzales and his garg are told that smell to heaven. Many of them almost reach the lecherous depths attained by Grover Cleveland and his associates in their mid-winter carnivals in Washington City during the years when the Stuffed Profit was the God of American idelatry. No man who possessed a young and beautiful wife was asfe;

on the part of Diaz. In his army, at the time of his accession to power, were all of the bandits who were uniform served the people according to the con-stitution, and other times, now gone, apparently forever, when disinterested There were, however, several roving gangs, unattached, who persisted in descending from their mountain retreats and committing depredations against wealthy Mexicans and small towns. patriots did the peoples' bidding. Des-potism and poverty and slavery and the subversion of constitutional liberty de-These different claims against the Mexican government, together with the deceived by the bearing and conversation of the man, who never ceases in his self-adulation, or he is introduced to the secretary of the treasury and declaration that Mexico was in a state of insurrection, were considered by the seemded upon the Mexican people w Diaz ascended to the dictatorship. Until September, 1810, when Mig to the secretary of the treasury and Diaz conceived the happy plan of mak-deliberately bribed with cash outright or given some paltry concession. With all mounted police, with absolute freedom imaginary virtues of the man, and his military experience is made to extend over a period of fifty-four years. On excuse sufficient to justify the sending of English. Spanish and French fleets over a period of fifty-four years. On every occasion his hirelings assert that Diaz is the father of his country, its savior, and that his death will prove its destruction, unless the people accept as his successor the dictator's choice. Diaz today is in his seventy-eighth year, and 1910 will aither witness his given some paltry concession. With all his conscious power and imperial indif-Hidalgo, a priest, struck the first blow for Mexican independence, the country was overrun by Dominican, Franciscan to pillage at will members of the work-ing class and wealthy enemies of the Diaz government. The only restrictions to Vera Cruz. The joy of the cleri-cals, capitalists, and militarists was boundless when the war ships of the inpeople, Diaz is astute enough to appreand Carmelite monks, who enriched the imposed were that they must stand by the dictator, and be prepared to as-sist "haciendados" catch, and return runaway "peons." Today the rurales patrol the high roads, like the man hunters in the south before the war of the rebellion, and any Mexican, or ciate the power of the press, and in Mexico City, under his watchful eye, has been established the most farvading nations anchored in the harbor of the Mexican seaport. Through Manpense of the people. Fierce fighting fol-lowed Hidalgo's initiative, which resulted finally in the overthrow of Spanish rule

When Porfirio was ten years old his

savage the young scroundrel poured The explosion disfigured the to pieces, and to this day the unfortu-In school Porfirio went in for mili-

mitted his first murder.

shed to satiate the vengeance of the capitalist class.

papers and magazines have not told the awful and complete truth regarding Mexico. When a special writer con-sults Diaz for an interview he is either reaching press bureau since the inven-tion of type. With little in common, as he thinks, with the oppressed peon classes, the newspaper man who jour-neys into Mexico from the United States at once falls subject to this haleful influence and soon learns to view Mexican life and conditions through glasses colored by Diaz. The dictator controls absolutely every avenue of news-publicity accorded the Mexican people, and, through his press bureau, he censors the news mailed or wired abroad. Quite a number of the most

The Dictatorship. There are twenty-seven states, thre

son is silenced by a rifle ball.

for that matter, foreign workingman, who is observed walking along unable to give an account of himself immediately is arrested by the rurales and

taken to the nearest "jefe politico," or police guardian, by whom he is either sent back to the "haciendado" from

whom he escaped or sold into outright slavery. It is needless to say that the slightest resistance by the arrested per-

territories and a federal district—the
latter embracing Mexico City—in Mexico. Most of the states, when Diaz
ross to power, had governors who were
constitutionally elected by the people.
These officials were opposed to a dictatorship. At once Diaz set about encom-

Rather Die an Honest Man Chan Live a Wretched Hypocrite."

THE WORDS used as a title to this article express a fine sentiment. The man who uttered them in the Los Angeles jull in answer to a question of the representative of the Appeal was. Ricardo Flores Magon, one of the four Mexican revolutionists to be tried soon upon the charge of having violated the neutrality laws of Mexico and the United States.

The charge is a mere subterfuge. The object is to get these patriots across the line, and this accomplished they are All sorts of charges have been brought egainst them as a means of securing their expedition, among them the trivial charge of expectorating on

a public walk.

We propose here to briefly review the main features of this cause celebre in which a most desperate fight is being made by a set of despots to capture four men of noble nature and patriotic impulses, who committed the crime of standing between Diaz, the Diabolical,

and his wretched subjects.

The four men who are the central figures in this drama, Ricardo Flores fagon, Antonio L Villarreal, Librade Rivers and Manuel Sarabia, are all of the "upper class," cultured and eduthe upper class, cultured and the cated, and if they had been self-seekers such as Dias and his gang they would today be close to the throne and like the rest of the "elect" be living fat out of the groans and agony of the peons

But these men, in spite of their birth and culture had hearts in them and seeing the cruelties practiced upon the masses espoused the cause of the peo-ple, and from that hour they were marked men and pursued with all the ferocity of the dictator's blood hounds.

To begin with, Mexico, while it has a tures of which are the same as the con-stitution of the United States, has never been a republic. It has masqueraded as such, but all the time it has been one of the most merciless and mercenary

Thirty years ago Diaz, through an aternal revolt, was elevated to the throne and although he called himself president no caar over ruled his subjects with more tyranny or less mercy. Upon this subject volumes might be wand then the truth not half told. In the eventful year of 1892 Diaz was

a canculate for re-election and all the swarms of his retainers and spies were active early and late to cajole and de-ceive the people into continuing his reign. The fact is that this had been determined upon by the dictator whatple. The people turned out in masses in honor of the occasion and while ev-erything was gay enough upon the sur-face there was still serious trouble brewing. Diaz feared the opposition and re-solved to crush it and did so by one of those coups Napoleon III executed when he made himself emperor of the French. The festivities broke up into a hid-

cons pandemonium and the public gathering places were speedily converted into shambles. Brave men who were known to stand for the rights of the people as against the absolutism of Diaz were cut down with sabres on the street and others were thrown into foul and loath some dungeons. Among the latter was his extraordinary career as a revolu his extraordinary career as a revolu-tionary leader. From teat time to this he has been relentlessly pursued by the spies of Diaz. He is the recognized leader of the opposition and the dic-tator has determined that he is a dangerous man to be at liberty. What will happen if Diaz gets him into his tches is known of all men who have followed the course of the Mexican revolution during the past few years.

Since Magon's first arrest he has been

six times in custody and has spent almost five years in the foul prisons of Mexico. He is the president of the Maxican revolutionary junta, and as gers. There are 140,000 of these slaves such his followers have absolute faith in and on March 31st their contract with

their deliverer.

Compelled to fice from Mexico Magon and his revolutionary comrades went to Texas, whether they were tracked by the spics of Diar, and every effort made to return them to Mexican soil for drumhead trial and execution.

Magon and his colleagues then went to St Louis and again they were folwere dogged day and night. From St. Louis they went to Toronto, Canada, but still the hounds were at their heels. Under such dreumstances their junta interests of the country." was powerless and their propaganda all but destroyed. In time they returned to Texas, but finding themselves again compelled to leave they went to Los Angeles and here the final plot against succeeded and they were arrested on a trumped-up charge and thrown into prison pending their extradition to

The outrages perpetrated upon these gallant revolutionists during these years defy description. Not only were they tracked day and night, but their lodgings were sacked, their personal belong-ings confiscated and their personal letters seized, and all this on American soil and without the slightest warrant

Mexican gold has been freely used in subsidizing American henchmen to serve of food for thought in the the dictator. Furlong's detective agency has done the dirtiest of work and redetectives, to deliver up the patriots to the executioner, and had it not been for

the prompt action of the Socialists in instituting proceedings these comrades would long since have met their im-pending fate.

In dealing with them American officers of the law have given Diaz and his dis-bolical machine the benefit of every The reason for this is simple enough. American capitalists are ex-ploiting Mexican resources and it is only by the grace of Diaz that their concessions can be granted and held, and so they are under obligation to do as Diaz wishes them to do in certain as Diaz wishes them to do in certain relations and that is why American court officers have been induced to act as slave-catching bloodhounds for Diaz, the bloody monster of Mexico."

Not a scintilla of proof has been ad-duced to show these men guilty of any crime. The charges against them have been proved untrue and then other charges have been filed upon which to hold them until finally they could in way be convicted and gotten back into Mexico. In these proceedings nothing has been too vile to resort to to secure the extradition of these men. Thus far the Socialists have blocked the wheels but how much longer this may be kept up is not certain. A summary ers rushed across the Rlo Grande we are aware of it. There is but one safe course to pursue and that is to widen and deepen our protest and stir up the working class and the whole body of liberty-loving citizens to rise in re-

enough. For sixteen years they have been bounded day and night when they have not been in rotten and loathsome

Magon, Villarreal, Rivera and Sarabia are the brave apostles of freedom. They are fighting the battles of the crushed and mangled masses and deserve the sympathy and support of every civilized sought to overthrow the crime-stained dynasty of Diaz is to their eternal King George was a gentleman and love honor. They are kin to Tom Paine, of the poor, has given to American capi bonor. They are kin to Tom Paine, Ben Franklin, Sam Adams, and Patrick Henry, in spirit at least. They are the fearless and incorruptible leaders of the people and future history will immortalize their unselfish consecration to

their suffering country.

That these men should languish in American jails is a foul blot upon the honor of the American people. Our own revolutionary forefathers received such patriots, from whatever country they might have fied, with open arms and ac-claimed them heroes.

Why should we suffer ourselves to pass into history as the degenerate sons of the American revolution?

If the patriots who revolted against King George of 1776 are worthy to be honored for creating this republic why should Magon and his fellow revolu tionists be committed to our jails for eeking to do the same in Mexico?

To rescue these comrades and at the same time blot out the stigma of disof his own reactionary policy. In the recent campaign he used such influence as he had with his followers in support the most tremendous and persistent effort on our part and every Socialist and sympathizer should realize this and come of the capitalist system and within his colleagues were sentenced to jail by one of the very capitalist courts to to the front at this critical time and render all the aid in his power.

The agitation must be increased and the publicity made country-wide.

The Appeal is in this fight with all the ability and resources it can command. It is a fight for life and for honor, a fight involving a great principle, which manly man and womanly woman will support because it is a fight to protect innocent men sgainst red-handed mur derers and secure the triumph of right

Millions of Tons.

The news comes from Pennsylvania that "there looms against the gray sky millions upon millions of tons of anthra-cite coal piled in the yards of the Phil-adelphia and Reading-railroad company."

And thereby hangs a tale! These mountains of coal have been mined and piled away in anticipation of a possible strike of the anthracite coal digsuch his followers have absolute faith in him and the masses, so far as they dare express themselves, idolize him as their deliverer.

Compelled to fice from Mexico Magon and his revolutionary comrades went to and his revolutionary comrades went to and his revolutionary comrades went to an expression of the conscience of the conscienc

no increase will be granted.
At the head of the operators is that ford." He hopes in vain. Judges are F. Baser of the have consciences to move them but benotorious pirate, George F. Baer of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who was made famous (?) during the last cause they are known to be trustworthy lowed by detectives in the employ of rights and interests of the laboring men were dogged day and night. We will be looked after and careal in the control of the laboring men were dogged day and night. by the agitators but by Christian men to whom God in his infinite wisdom has given the control of the property

Baer is the only capitalist robber in The leading democratic politicians the anthracite who had the perve to with whom Mr. Compers consorted dur-claim that he held a commission signed ing the campaign are all silent. The by the Almighty. He really thinks he rules by divine right and that his slaves ought to be thankful that they by the republican party are all active are allowed to dig coal and turn it over in his behalf. They realize that a print to him. It is not strange therefore that ciple is involved of fundamental interhe opposes any increase in wages, and the opposes any increase in wages, and when the miners approach him in March test his democratic political associates next, he will no doubt point with pride to the mountains of anthracite which despised Socialists rally as one to his are piled up along his line and which will supply the market even if a strike is called, while Mr. Baer and the other plutocrats in his aggregation will wait a capital. screnely until the miners are starved into submission.

interests of labor and capital are not identical. For many years Mr. Gompers Say, you coal diggers, there is plenty of food for thought in those huge piles of coal which loom up against has been meekly begging congress for an anti-injunction law and an eight-

done the dirtiest of work and reed to the lowest of methods, even for
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executioner, and had it not been for
until their eyes are opened to fee fact
that Socialism is the only remedy and
that Socialism is the only remedy and Are you fired of slaving for others at that Socialism is the only remedy and farm. If you could buy it for 17 cents a p? 300 lucky persons can buy one ou see terms. See last week's Appeal. St. has Development Co. 901 Nerchants, has Development Co. 901 Nerchants and political class power they can overthrow capitalism and its Eaers and walk and A Thust Building, Chicago, Ill.—Adv.

Oh! Ye Lovers of Liberty!

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas,

ment lends its aid to the outrage.

is time that the people arose in all their soccreign power and said their

a dungeon by the sea. A deserter from the American army, Kosterlitsky, waited

with his troops across the border line

for any strikers who might be handed over to him by agents of the Standard

Oil company, and other reptile combina

tions. Already the prisons of Mexico are filled with men who were merely

suspicioned of favoring the strikers, while the children of the victims are

left to struggle and starve.

Already the prisons of Mexico



COMRADES: in the United States of America. Yet From the bastile the people refused to obey that law and the cry of our brave brothers, stand for fr

irresponsible dictatorship of Mexico. The fight has become international; yet it centers in the United States. If these foreign vultures of oppression win now

then our liberty goes.

For Diaz and American capitalism the ctar comes to America demanding by the tyrant dictator, Diaz, when in

talists concessions that are worth millions of dollars, and guarantees them peon labor that dare not ask higher wages under penalty of being shot for violating the law; and in return he asks that if political refugees escape to America, or if a Mexican dare come to America and criticise him, they must be returned to him, that they may

slave law was enacted, requiring slaves with the masters of the big corpora-that escaped to free territory to be re- tions in trying to enforce international

Gompers and

dent Gompers of the American Federa-tion of Labor finds himself face to face

with difficulties which are the outgrowth

ew weeks after the election he and

which he had given his support at the

polls. His conviction, outrageous though

political attitude and the fact is self-

evident that he got what he worked and

It is significant that his friend, Wil-

liam J. Bryan, was discreetly silent when he was sentenced, making the politician's

excuse that it was not hig custom to criticise the courts. It remained for the Socialists, whom Gempers had re-

peatedly charged with being the enemies of organized labor, to denounce the courts and pledge him their loyal sup-port in defeating the outrageous decis-

on which sentenced him to jail.

In his annual report to the recent Denver convention Mr. Gompers said,

I can see no remedy for these outrageous proceedings, unless there shall be a dulck-ening of the conscience of our judges or the relief which the congress of our coun-try can and should afford.

It seems Strange that Mr. Gompers has not yet learned that we live under a capitalist government; that we are

ngaged in a class struggle and that the

hour law which, if enacted, would be

of questionable value to labor. But even this ha.d-out has been denied him

in discussing the courts:

to be a blessing.

it be, is entirely consistent

voted for.

BY EUGENE V. DEBS

WHICHEVER WAY he turns Presi- power as proposed by the Socialist

AND turned to their masters. This was all absolutism and to make slaves of the DES: in the United States of America. Yet workers who shall be unable to escape bastile the people refused to obey that law and their chains.

man liberty. In days to come your names will be inscribed on the temple of liberty. When the wolves of capitalism shall have disappeared from the cities of our nation, when men shall be able to walk forth free without Oscar Lawlers and detectives dogging their footsteps, then the three Mexican comrades shall have their names written arge as lovers of their race:

In 1906, two brave leaders of the strike of Cananca, Diegues and Cald-reom, were sentenced to fifteen years in of Los Angeles, if you can reconcile your conscience to the crushing out of liberty and the human desire for justice. pressed men, women and children in th dungeons, hung us on scaffolds, choppe I happened to be in Douglas, Ariz., in August, 1907, when they kidnaped young Sarabis, threw him into an automobile, and, as he screamed for help, handing them over to that brutal dicta

> Angeles, to serve notice on you and your class that the working people of America are awake. You cannot make them slaves as are the peons of Mexico. slaves of the dictator whom you serve Let me hand you the edict of the One

have them.

Men of America, women of America rouse as you never roused before. Wipe from our jurisprudence the infamous fugitive slave law of this later day Tear from our statute books the moder and most wicked Dred Scott decision which makes of your government a hunter of the oppressed and persecutor of the helpless.

All honor to you, my brave com-rades, Magon, Villarreal and Rivers, for the gallant fight you are making for hu-

But, let me ask you, Attorney Lawler,

tor called Diaz? Permit me, Attorney Lawler, of Lo

We are serving notice on you. You

Convicts and Farmers.

Governor E. W. Hoch, of Kansas, re tentiary at Lansing. The Topeka State They declared the meal as good as that of the average Kansas farmer."

That is pretty tough on the Kansas armer. It is hard to tell from reading board of agriculture; Dr. Crumbine, sec Kansas state university, Lawrence, and

Had the trade unionists under the lead of Gompers and his colleagues, instead of being divided between the republican and democratic parties, joined with the Socialists and polled two million clearcate that many farmers were satisfied to let the trusts take the product of their labor, rather than vole to keep it themselves, so they might have better food than a convict. It might be inferred that all the "average" politician cares for the farmer is his vote, as no farmer was considered good enough or intelligent enough to be appointed on this committee. The average "Kansas farmer," is a dead easy mark. It is safe to say that if the committee had been interrogated they would have told the reporter that the convicts were about as good clothes as "the average Kansas farmer," had about as good beds as the "average Kansas farmer," had no mortgage chasing them across the field full tilt all day and disturbing their dreams at night. They have no worry about interest and taxes, and they know they will have three good meals tomorrow whether they raise a crop or not, because the state feeds them. "Average Kansas farmer," how do you like it, anyway Better wake up. You have been dreaming.—Wm. D. Street, Oberlin, Kan.

Killing the Trusts.

Sixty-seven railroads reporting to the government for/ November show that their gross earnings were 3.85 per cent less than a year ago, while their net less than a year ago, while their net profits were 12 per cent more! And they are preparing to increase their rates! But what would you expect from private ownership of the lines? Public ownership would attempt to serve the people at the lowest possible rates—but the people prefer to be skinned than to own anything themselves. Let 'er go, (Sallacher'

THE MENACE TO AMERICA

[Continued from First Page.] similarly treated. It is no der that a sigh of universal relief went up when the reign of Gonzales drew to an end. There being no other candidate, and none other permitted for the presidency, Diaz again went into office in 1884, since which time he has ruled uninterruptedly.

Debauchery and Crime.

On taking office this time Diaz boldly threw off the mask by which hereto fore he had endeavored to cloak his actions and, so far as his attinde toward the Mexican people was concerned, he openly used his exalted official position for the purpose of enriching him-self and his friends. He announced that a public debt was a public blessing, as by it public improvements were pos-sible. Of more importance, he said, was a large standing army than school teachers, and to increase his army he all over the country. Like Gonzales he porrowed immense sums of money from pose of building railroads and improv-ing harbors. Two thirds of this money was confiscated by himself and political pals and only a portion of the remain-der was used for the public good.

His first secretary of the interior was Romare Rubio, his father-in-law. This man, whose orgics were the scandal of ctable society in Mexico, attended to the appointment of the governors of the various states, as recommended by Diaz. Manuel Dublan, the first secre tary of the treasurer, an aristocrat who sided with the French in the Maximilian war, lost more than \$10,000,000 of the peoples' money in gambling dives in Mexico City. His successor, Jose Yves Limantour, the present secretary of the treasurer, was appointed because of his ability to devise schemes for robbing the people, increase the national debt and play at the game of diplomacy with foreign rulers. His other cabinet officers and political appointments from the time of Gonzales to the present day

Worst Tyrant of Modern Times. To reward his friends and ruin his enemies is the one pre-eminent trait in Diaz's character. No man who is

suspected of ever having breathed a criticism of the dictator's career can hope for preferment in Mexico. Indeed such a person considers himself fortusuch a person considers himself fortu-nate if he is not arrested and jailed, or shot to death on some flimsy pretext. Each individual citizen is subject to the unseen visitation of the ever pres-ent spy, is answerable to the "jefe poliof the district in which he res and lives in constant fear of being jerked and lives in constant trumped-up charge and up on some trumped-up charge and separated forever from his family. There has been no such a thing as a popular of the Disz Dynasty, free speech is long since dead and free thought is almost stifled since the closing of the public schools. Truly Mexico today presents the ideal location for the investment of foreign capital. Here, as nowhere in all the wide world, the slaves of labor toil for a pittance less than that received by the Chinese coolie, and they do it under the lash of task-masters whose orders to shoot rebellious ones are sanctioned and authorized by the most relentless tyrant of modern times.

James Creelman says that Porfirio Dins is the "foremost figure of the American hemisphere and the unreadable mystery to students of human government." In many respects Diaz is the foremost figure of the present-day civilized world, but by no means is he an unreadable mystery. His methods are plain to painfulness. He took advantage of the weakness of his country to lift himself to power, and has perpetuated it through corrupted politicians and a perfected military machine. It is for having dared to oppose this More than one moral adorns this tale.

This might help to answer the question why the boys leave the farm; because their food is no better than that of a convict.

The farmer role leave the farm; States.

A Murderer Made a Hero.

Later articles in the Appeal will relate the particulars of wholesale massacres of men, women and children of the Mexican working class by rurales and regular soldiers who received their orders direct from the monster whom American capitalists delight to honor and of whom United States Secretary of State Root said: "I look to Porfirio Diaz, the president of Mexico, as one of the great men to be held up for the hero-worship of mankind." In detail hero-worship of mankind." In detail the story of how Diaz crushes out labor strikes by shooting the strikers will be told, and how any person suspected of being a political opponent is secretly as-sassinated or imprisoned and tortured to death in unspeakable dungeon chambers. From mountain to sea in every portion of the country during the last thirtyfive years Mexico has resounded with the death-shrieks of unfortunate men and women who fell beneath the saber-strokes and rifle-shots of the murderous and women who fell beneath the saberstrokes and rifle-shots of the murderous
myrmidons whose sele occupation is to
see that no one interferes with the rule
of Diaz. To an American unacquainted
with the nature and character of the
Mexican bandit the situation, when portrayed, will seem almost unbelievable
and impossible, especially when considt ered in connection with recent magasine articles dealing with conditions in
Mexico wherein the horrible crimes of
Diaz are carefully omitted—G. H. Shoaf,
At the battle fought outside Tabriz,
which resulted in the defeat of the
Shah's troops, the bodies of 67 women
at were found among the dead revolutionaries.—London Leader.

Don't be a wags slave! Be Independent
own your own farm and be your own boas!
Look up last week's Appeal anyway.
Look up last week's Appea

Business generally is dull and even disappointing for those who have pre-dicted a large volume at the turn of the year.-Wall Street Journal. The late panic seems rather late in leaving.

[Advertisement]

A PERSONAL TALK TO APPEAL

By E. C. Howe, Advertising Manager of Appeal to Reason.

Did you read that big announcement, offering 300 farms in Florida, in the

offering 300 larms
Appeal last week?
Were you one of the lucky 300?
Were you one of those with the second second large with the seco

Or, were you one of the lucky 300?
Or, were you one of those who INTENDED to write promptly, but put the
matter off, and have not responded yet?
If you were one of the latter, I want
you to look up your last week's Appeal,
(January 16th) and read that announce. ment from the first letter to the last

Then, if the proposition looks good

day—I want you to buy a farm.

I want you to do this for your ewn ake. I believe every man ewes it to himself and to his family to make an investment of this kind—to get a home of his ewn and provide for the course. vestment of this kind—to get a home of his own and provide for the future, so he won't have to work for others all his life at starvation wages.

I want you to buy just as big a farm as you can pay for with your monthly savings. If you can save only 17 cents and the savings.

savings. If you can save only 17 cents a day, buy a 10-acre farm. If you can save 34 cents a day, buy a 20-acre farm. If you think you can save 08 cents a day, buy a 40-acre farm.

Don't put it off because you may not want to move to Florida and work your farm. If you DO want to move there and work your land, well and good. But if you want to stay where you are, buy one of these farms Now

good. But if you want to stay where you are, buy one of these farms Now while you can get the exceptional terms and held it to sell to some one else later, at a big profit to you.

It's the best, safest and most profitable investment I know of.

able investment I know of.
You don't have to wait to see the land before you buy. Senator Deen stands behind the proposition with his reputation, and guarantees to refund your money, in accordance with his contract, if you are not satisfied.
Furthermore, I have been all over this land, and I give you my assurance that it is a splendid investment. In fact, I thought so well of it that I bought a 40-acre farm myself. I don't expect to live on my land. I intend to hold it and sell it to some one else later at a good price.

You can do the same. If you want

to tay where you are and keep your present situation, just lay away 17 cents, or 34 cents, or 68 cents, every day, and almost before you know it you will have a good farm all paid for. Then you can feel assured that you will never come to want all the rest of your days.

Or, if you want to make a little specu-

Or, if you want to make a little speculation, you can sell your farm to some one else at a good profit to you.

If you want to better your condition, be sure to look up last week's Appeal and read the full page announcement headed "17 Cents a Day."

I am anxious to have as many Appeal readers as possible buy farms

1st. Because I know the land is good.

2nd. Because I know the price is

right.

3rd. Because I know the terms are the most liberal ever offered on a farm

the most liberal ever offered on a farm proposition.

4th. Because if the Appeal readers will only see what an exceptional opportunity this is, they will buy up mearly all this land while it is low, and we will have a colony in one of the most beautiful spots in the United States.

In a state where the summers are pleasant and where the winters are ideal.

Where the land will yield from \$300.

Where the land will yield from \$300

to \$1,000 an acre, clear profit, every harvested every month of the year.
Where fruit and vegetables bring the highest market prices.

Where oranges and tangerines and grape fruit grow and yield immense

profits.
Where they have the cheapest freight rates to the best markets in the United States.

Where, in fact, they can ship their products to any part of the civilized

world.

Boys, I tell you this is one of the best land investments I ever heard of.

Just think of buying a farm on terms

Just think of buying a farm on terms equivalent to 17 cents a day!

Do you know of anyone around your town who will sell you a farm on terms of 17 cents a day?

Not on your life. The chances are that land where you live is high in price, and the terms such that you can never hope to own a farm of your own.

If you want to make money in land, buy where you can get good land at the rock-bottom price.

Buy where you can get easy terms. Get in at the start, while the price is low, and watch the value of your land go up as others come in later and buy at higher prices.

You run no risk that I can see. Good land is getting scarcer and scarcer every year, and if the people keep on buying land as they have the past few years, the GOOD land will soon be gone, and the price of land will soon be gone, and the price of land will ro up, up, UP. In my opinion, the price of this land can never be any lower than it is now, and the chances are it will be higher—in a very short time.

So, now is the time to buy. If you EVER intend to buy land, buy now, while the price is low and the terms easy.

Look up last week's Appeal anyway,

E. C. HOWE,

Adv. Mgr. of Appeal to Reason, 140 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

of capitalism in arose in such a mignty protest that Los Angeles comes within ten years the institution of within ten years the slavery was swept from the carth. Now we have the dictator of Mexico, and the czar of Russia, tyrants both, both foreigners, trying to enforce a fugitive slave law in the United States of America-a law infinitely more vile than that of the fifties-and the federal govern-

right and justice. I know and feel that sponded cheerfully to the needs of our omrades of the industrial revolution as you will be none the less responsive now, in behalf of our Mexican comrades. ever there was a trme in history when it was imperative that men and women should promptly rally to the banner of freedom and justice, that time is now. Before, it was the power of the state and the nation that the of the working class. Now, it is the United States government seconding the nurderous despotism of Russia and the

are partners, even as American capital-ism and the Russian czar are partners. These men ought to be free. They ism and the Russian car are partners, have suffered enough and more than Pierpont Morgan goes to Russia and shakes hands with the ezar; and now the surrender of political refugees. Mrs. Diaz, when visiting in Texas is enter-tained by members of the Copper Queen syndicate whose headquarters are at 95 John street, New York, and Elihu

Some sixty years ago the fugitive

muzzled him, ran him across the line, and handed him over to the devourers of human flesh. Kidnaping scems to be becoming very fashionable with the members of the American oligarchy of In this connection I wish to say good word for Governor Kibbie, who took quick action and had Sarabia brought back. He also would not fur-

aish troops to the Copper Queen com

pany during the strike at Bisbee, Ariz. He had a clear view of the economic conflict, and understood that it was no labor that was riotous, but the minion of capitalism. During my stay in Ariing Captain Wheeler on several occanearly right as the powers that be will permit him. I must give him credit for the part he played in the strike at Bisbee. Yet, after doing full justice to all who deserve credit, the fact remains that the federal government is allied

Capitalism

But the papers announce that Mr

Gompers is to go before congress again to renew his plea, which suggests that up to this time his jail sentence has

had no appreciable effect in opening his eyes to what he is actually up against. The increasing vexations and contra-dictions in which Mr. Gompers finds

himself enmeshed are the fruit of his

ency. He believes in the brotherhood of

capital and labor and this is the starting

with Carnegie, Belmont and other labor exploiters and union-wreckers so often

them, but labor and capital are deadly

enemies just the same, and the class struggle is a fact which will assert it-

self in spite of all the civic federation

banquets and other machinations and

ophistications designed to conceal it. The lesson to be learned by the rank

and file is that the working class must

develop its economic and political power along uncompromising class lines. They must unite within one great industrial

organization, of class-conscious workers and the same workers must act together

in the Socialist party on the political

field and then they will secure ma-terial relief, and in time industrial eman-

cut working class votes, the decision of Judge Wright would never have been

class you represent has murdered and opinterests of cursed greed. They have jailed the men who fed them; they have maligned us, villified us, buried us in us to pieces, nailed us to the cross of profits as they did the Laborer of Palestine nineteen centuries ago. Have you not, Attorney Lawler, of Los Angeles, nursed from your mother's breast the milk of human kindness? Will you stoop to stain your hands with the blood of these four brave lovers of liberty, by

you pretend to honor-"Thou shalt not kill."

dungeons shall yet be turned into club rooms. We want peace, we want jus-tice, we want that which is justly our's. By all that is good and holy we shall

cently appointed a committee to investigate conditions in the state peni-Journal publishes nearly a column of proceedings from which the following is warning, walked into the dining hall and ate at the table with the convicts.

the dispatch whether the committee in-Cansas farmer to enter the state's prisor where they could have just as good food by working half as hard, or to "jolly" the convicts juto the belief that they are better off so far as food is concerned than "the Kansas farmer." Th average "Kansas farmer" certainly must feel highly complimented to be classed along with the convicts in the peniten tiary, by a committee of distinguished and learned Kansans, among whom were Hon. F. D. Coburn, secretary of the state retary of the state board of health; Rev. Dr. Sheldon, an eminent divine of Topeka; Prof. Frank Blackmar, of the

Government ownership is a fake and oppression when capitalists own the government.

Senator Tillman charged that Roosevelt's friend, "dear Harriman," was still n possession of two million acres of land in Oregon virtually stolen from the government. The conditions of the grants were never complied with and through political chicanery Harriman came into possession of these richest of lands for practically nothing. It was while pointing out the millions of acres stolen by Harriman that Tillman made his plea in justification of his trying to get a paltry thousand acres for himself. There is no doubt that these western

There is no doubt that these western lands held by the corporations under titles fraudulently obtained belong of right to the people and when the people come into power, as they will when Socialism triumphs, the titles to these lands will undoubledly be declared for people, their rightfel owners.

When all the things that have been

stolen from the people under the cloak of law are returned to them there will be no need of resorting to confiscation.

and he has been turned away with contempt session after session until one would conclude that even he must be satisfied that labor will get nothing from a capitalist congress until it department and asserts its own political contempt and c

rendered, Gompers would not have been sentenced and congress would have re-sponded with alacrity to the demand for anti-injunction and eight-hour laws. servants of the ruling class. If Mr. Gompers does not know this he has learned but little in his many years of Two Million Acres. service in organized labor, and if nothing In his attack on President Roesevelt short of a jail sentence will teach him this simple lesson even this will prove

Appeal to Democrat Editors.

Since the late national election the democratic party has been rapidly disintegrating. Its national leaders can see no hope for it and even the optomistic Henry Watterson can see no future for it except as a party of protest and as a party to watch the republican party. In the latter capacity it will soon go to pieces for where there are no spoils in sight the patriots soon cease doing picket duty.

Now, the fact is that the democratic party has been losing ground ever since the war for the simple reason that it is built upon a decaying middle class. It has what it calls a radical wing and a conservative wing. The tendency of the radical wing is toward the So-cialist party and the tendency of the conservative wing is toward the republican party.

There is but one issue and that is between Socialism and capitalism and there need be but two parties. Indeed, there is no room for a third and here would not be a third if the capitalists were not interested in keeping two capitalist parties in the field to throw dust in the eyes of the people while one or the other walks off with the spoils.

Now the Appeal believes and in fact knows that there are thousands and thousands of democrats who are on the verge of becoming Socialists and that if we can get our doctrine properly be-fore them we will have them in the Socialist party within the next six To accomplish this we have concluded that if the Appeal could be sent for a year to every democratic the country, the smaller ones particularly, we could get thousands of columns of Socialist matter reproduced in their columns and thus multiply ourselves and our ability to reach the people as could be done in no other

Many of these democratic editors now see that Socialism is inevitable and that there is no longer any use to waste any time on the democratic party. We have letters from many of m in which they say they are now ready to publish a Socialist page if we will furnish them the matter and to do this the Appeal should reach them every week for a year. There are many thousands of these

democratic papers and to send each of them the Appeal for a year will require a large amount of money. For this purpose we have opened a special fund to be called "The Democratic Editor Fund" and we now call upon all who agree with us that we ought to take immediate advantage of this opening to send at their earliest co e such a contribution for this fund as their means will allow.

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Who is it rides in an automobile?

Is it you? Is it I?

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But when drones steal they so scot free, we've naught to do but accept the decree.

You and I. you and I.

The American army has again evacuated Cubs. But it is with the understanding that unless Cuba is "good" to the capitalists it will go back to stay. How many are betting that it will not go back?

We can change this if we but try, You and I, Y

The esteemed St. Louis Globe-Demo-crat says: "The country will probably hear very little of Debs and his asso-ciates in 1912." Possibly not-from cap-italist papers. But it will hear from them all right.

Foraker and Roosevelt.

Joseph B. Foraker of Ohio has for me years been one of the republican leaders in the United States senate. He is acknowledged by his colleagues to be a high authority on constitutional law During the recent campaign Senator Foraker was placed hors de combat by ard Oil company.

There is no doubt that the Ohio senator sustained improper relations with the octopus but the same is true of most of his colleagues, who are di-rectly or indirectly interested in and dependent upon the trusts and corporations, without which they would not be eligible to the millionaires' club. In this respect Foraker is neither more nor less guilty than the rest and it because of the fact that his relations with the trusts were by chance laid bare that he appears in a more un-Roosevelt himself is just as guilty as

Foraker of improper relations with the trusts. He received a \$100,000 from the Standard Oil company for his campaign fund and his campaign manager tried to get another \$100,000 more from the same source but was turned down. He received \$240,000 from his "dear Harriman" contributed by the trust magnates to put him in the white house. He did not object to this tainted money. He eagerly accepted it all and called for more, and his subsequent denunciation of "rich malefactors" was sheer buncombe and gallery play. During all his almost eight years of administration "the rich malefactors" were in clover up

to their jowls and not one of them was

ever put into prison for a minute. The real truth about Roosevelt is gradually coming out. He is a double faced hypocrite. He is everlastingly preaching political purity and obedience to law while himself violating the constitution and the law whenever it suits his purpose. In his speech in the sena few days ago ate Foraker showed that both Reosevelt and Taft, the former as president and the latter as secretary of war, had employed lying scoundrels of detectives in the Browns ville case "without authority of law and with public money filched from the publie treasury in flat defiance of the constitution and a statute in full force and effect."

We have quoted here the precise language used by Senator Feraker, The law he has reference to was enacted in the Pinkerton detectives aroused the in dignation of the whole country, and is as follows:

"No employe of the Pinkerton agency or similar agency shall be employed in any government service or by any officer of the District of Columbia."

Notwithstanding this statutory hibition Roosevelt and Taft hired Pink erton detectives who made lying reports the Brownsville affair which they took \$15,000 from the publie treasury which they had as little legal right to take as if they had bur-glarized the vault of the treasury department at midnight.

Roosevelt is in his star role sur rounded by spies and informers and it is not strange that Foraker in his speech describes Roosevelt's spying as such a shameful performance that no language can describe it."

Speaking further about Roosevelt's army of sleuths Senator Foraker said "It is impossible to find language with which to fittingly characterize such a proceeding as this detective business ha been from its incipiency down to the monstrous stages it has reached. It is atrocious, revolting, shocking to ever ense of fairness, justice and even com

The people are here given a glimpse f the self-righteous president un-nasked. Foraker knows him. If Forof the sker were his political opponent the charges he makes would be construed as inspired by partisan rancor, but Foraker and Roosevelt are both repub-licans and know each other thoroughly and each has charged the other with being crooked and proved his case.

Verily, plutocracy is in the saddle and the working class have placed it there. While these eminent lights are the United States. Why have we none uncovering each other the wage slaves who placed them in control of the gov-

You And L

(For the Appeal by J. L. Ferguson, Bluff-ton, Ind.)

Who has the choice of all things good? Is it you? Is it I?

In spite of Roosevelt's getting into the limelight under pretense of conterv-ing the remainder of the natural re-sources which the republican party has so ruthlessly slaughtered, it is amounced that the giant redwoods of the west, are being destroyed right now for the profit that can be made from their sale.

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CIVILIZATION IN PORTLAND.

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[The editor of the Labor World went to ball disguised as a tramp on Sunday night. December 27. Here is a summary of part of his experience.]

At 2:45 a. m. a policeman decided I was a bad man and took me to lail. I had but 5 cents, had committed no crime; your policeman told me I was bad. I was locked up, given a exment floor to sleep on, denied a towel with which to wipe my face, fed on a hreakfast that cost less than 3 cents to produce, saw your day police captain mairreat a prisoner without cause, heard the same captain abuse his prisoners with harsh, profane language without cause, heard the same captain abuse his prisoners with harsh, profane language without cause, less and beard an unthinking detective trying to bluff three different prisoners into a trap, or a confession of guilt.

One of the prisoners who was sleeping on his bed of stone, when I was "thrown in" had lost a hand in a sawmill at Hood River eight years ago, in this crippled condition he had to resort to pedding small wares for a living. He had been arrested and was in just charged with crime. The crime of violating an ordinance passed by our city council to protect the interests of those business men who find themselves powerful enough to have a Lan branded as a criminal who dares to interfere with their profits.

Another prisoner was a boy 19 years

for the exploited victims of monopoly. Our property owners have had laws passed making it a crime to be "out after hours." They have made it a crime to be broke, and a crime to extend the crime to be broke, and a crime to extend the crime to be broke, and to the crime to even ask for assistance, and on top of this throw their victims into a fall unpit for a deg, there to sleep on the hard cement floor.

So is civilized, educated, Christian Portland, Ore., United States of America.

Prosperity in the West.

The Sait Lake Herald of December 27 was a Prosperity Edition, and contained a list of 71 industries, great and small, in Sait Lake, prectically all the productive enterprises in a cit, of 100,000 inhabitants.

Fifty of us, all white, shipped out by Dixon sumployment alrency (to some point in Utah.—Ed), for Western Pacific. No work, no accommodations, no money and fifteen below zero.—A. B. Cutright.

Free Speech in the Army.

A general court martial has been orded to assemble at Sagua La Grande. Cuba. Jan. 8 to bear charges against M. Francis P. Frement of the Fifth infan who is accused of making uncompile tary statements regarding a brother off Major Fremont is one of the best-kns men in the army. He is a son of Gentlement of the control of

The song of labor is in rag time

A wad of money, these days, is a roll

The man who wants a job, or anything else for that matter, is in want.

Socialism is both an aspiration ar an inspiration, an ideal and a possible reality.

They have postal savings banks in the Philippines, but none in the United States. Why!

The reason there are workless workers is because the men who use the tools of production do not own them.

If you get the white meat you are an optimist. If you get gristle bones and soup you are only a worker, a pro

They have something on the order of in America?

The latest game is pop-in-taw, whe the effort is for each one to get all the balls. When one gets all he wins and all the others lose. In other words, pop-in-taw seems to be very much like the game of capitalism.

nant because St. John Rockefeller announced a determination to vote for his fellow Ohioan for president. Since election Taft and Rockefeller have been in Virginia playing golf together. The progress of the control of both like games.

"Oceans of money in London," reads the heading of an article in an exchange. Yet there are thousands out of employment in London. The conclusion is inevitable that capitalists might relieve the situation if they would. But they will not. The suffering of the unemployed is therefore to be accredited to capitalists as a wilful punishment of these capitalists as a wilful punishment of the capitalists as a wiful punishment of those dependent on them, for the crime of being poor.

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WITH THE PARTY.

At Titusville, Pa., Socialisis have put up a full municipal ticket. The democrats have put out no ticket, but many of them will unite with the republicans in hope of defeating the Socialists.

Red Sunday, the date of the massacre of thousands of Russian workmen who the thousands of Russian workmen who were seeking merely opportunity, will be celebrated in Cincinnati, January 24, at S p. m., under ampices of the Sociality party. Speaking in English, German and

class lines.

At Prosser, Ore., where the Record does raliant service for the working class, the Socialists elected a full set of city efficers. But the republicans are bad losers. They are trying to secure a new charter for the town in order that the Socialists may be expelled from office. But the Record and the working class can do it again, and the republicans, sooper or later, will have to take their medicine.

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Two rears: ago Miss Dera Sarabrianeck was in Russia, and as mistress of her futher's vast estate, was courted and petted. She turned Socialist and was banished. Coming to America she located at Pittsburg and secured work in a shirt factory in Pittsburg, where she made her own living. It was a sweat sheep, and she led in a trike. Some of the girls rioted and destroyed a bit of property, and Miss Sarabrianeck has been indicted for inciting the disorder, though she insists she was not present when he riot occurred. It seems to be another manifestation of the Eght on Socialists and of alliance with Russia for the purpose of repressing liberty.

Tragedies of the Winter.

The Cratty System.—The press reports at Los Angeles county is sending an everage of one person a day to the state same aspinas. Russherd in Pricea.—Robert Burns was found dead in the "drunk cell" of the city jall at Portland. He had been smothered to death. With eleven others he had been crowded into a cell intended to hold four prisoners.

arnege made his fortube.

If They Will Leave the City—The city ouncil of St. Paul has appropriated money o give one meal apiece to tide men there is condition that they agree to leave the ity. It is estimated that there are 4,190 are out of employment in St. Paul and get there.

Fake Charity—At the Bowery mission the men who had received food for cutting wood were invited to tell their experiences, and the managers were astonished to learn that men were required to work from 8 till 5 for two meals valued at 35 cents for the two. The whole crowd ridiculed the charity as a capitalist fake using the unemployed to skin them of labor.

Capitalist Courts.

Sentenced to the Novy-Three honseless boys, charged with lottering, according to the Cincinnati Post of recent date, were sentenced by Judge Londers to enlist in the

Eighteen Months for \$13,000—George W. Hopkins, convicted of emiscrating between \$13,000 and \$14,000 when he was cashier of the state savings and commercial bank of San Quinten, was sentenced to 18 months in prison. months in prison.

One Year for Each Cent Stolen—George
Gross, 20 years of age, pleaded guilty in
Judge Brown's court at Oakland, Cal., to
burglarizing a store and stealing eight
cents, giving as his reason for the theft
that he was hungry. He was scalenced to

taken.

Woman Not a Human Bring—The house of lords, the ultimate court of appeals in England, has decided that a woman is not a "person." The law permits all "persons" who are graduates of Scottish universities to vote for members of parliament, but the house of lords, in order to keep women from voling, declared that women are not persons.

The Spreading Revolt.

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When Socialism Comes—Prof. Walter Roschenburst, of the theological seminary, Rochester, recently declared himself a Socialist, and added: "I make a prophecy that when Socialism is finally set up it will be a poor machine, but, poor as it is it will be the best the world has ever seen it is in line with the great modern movement of democracy. Men said a republican form of government couldn't succeed it has serious faults, but who would want to go back to the old form of government?

There You Have Socialism—The Idaho Capital News in a long editorial on Why Socialism Grows anys: "is it any wonder that men are thinking that if some can combine to use all things for their personal benefit, hence to the detriment of the vast mass of the people of the country, other men, equally honest with them, equally competent, more humane and less tempted, could utilize the same things for the benefit of all the people alike? And there you have Socialism.

Petition on Woman Suffrage.

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To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

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The Glad Tidings, organ of the Latter Day Sainta at Grand Rapids, Mich., has come out square-toed for Socialism.

Censoring the Press.

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N. L. A. Esetman, editor of the Gospet Worker, who was arraigned before the federal court at Buffalo, on a charge of sinner, since the federal court at Buffalo, on a charge of sinner, the alleged victim being the catholic enurch, which had been criticized by Eastman, was acquitted on the evidence of the prosecution, without Eastman offering any evidence in his own behalf.

Sr. Alfonso Torres, editor of E. Eco del Torecador, organ of the tobacco workers' union of Anecibo, Porto Bloo, was fined \$1.50 and costs on a criminal charge, the offense being an alleged libel of a capitalist.

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BUNDLE RATES.

-Once a Socialist, always a Socialist.

-Camrade Freeland, Hartford, Mich sends in a list of four worn-out democrat who he hopes we will finish up right. -Get The Socialist Woman for the con-ing year if you want your women felt to become Socialists. With Appeal, 80c. "Good bye, boys," said Comrade ews, Vanderwoor, Ark, to the nin-lles he left in our charge when he de for his home.

-The sub editor nwoke with a when Comrade Hughes, Pavenia, touched him on the shoulder and pre-bim with a list of six.

—Comrade Venard, Wilmington, Ohio, sends in an order for literature, and we know from past experience that it is liter-ature that does the work. Hight through the snow storm, last Monday, came Comrade Smith, Clarinda, lowa, with a list of six and he said he would be in with more later on.

—A knock-out blow was dealt to the prejudices of two of his neighbors by Comrade Whitman, Warren, Ark., and they are now regular subscribers to the Appeal.

—Any one knowing the whereabouts of John S. McClarty, last heard from in Chlorado in 1901, will picase write Mrs. Abbie willmoth at Newman, Ill., R. R. No. 3. "The Socialist Woman to fast be

—"I have been a reader of the Appeal but a short time, but find mysself a pretty fair Socialist. I enclose you one dollar for four subs."—Comrade Brown, Duffeld,

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our yeardies he had at me, doing his part to break the charins bind him and his brother workers, sends us the names of four of them to that we may begin work on them.

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gree the liberty of anybody any place on earth."

With amazement did the natives of Grand Rapids, Mich., gaie after Conrade Travis, after he has relieved them of the price of a year's subscription to the Appeal and wonder how he did it so easy, for they are not Socialists and intend to remain true to the teachings of their party. We shall see.

—If you know of a Socialist in your community who dare not have the Appeal coming to him because of losing his job tell him that he may subscribe in your tame and they you deliver the pages to him. Many courades are doing this, one taking six papers for reliread men who dare not have them come in their own name.

Geo. D. Brewer, of the Appeal to Reason, lecturer and organizer of the Socialist party, will be with us in Arkansas for twenty dates only, and will make the following places. Sulphur Springs. Jan. 221: Gravett, 22; Decatur 21: 4: Siloam Springs. 25; Engrey 25: 25: Springdale. 29: 30-31; Fayetteville. 4: Bellifonte, 5-6; St. Joe, 7-5; Foin Peier, 2; Harrison, 19.

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You will see by this report that the Army is getting in action again and it looks now as though the drag is over and that we are on the up grade in real earnest. If you would like to see the complexion of the circulation report changed, lend a hand. You can up a few without any trouble. Next week's report will make a gratifying showing, or I miss my guess

Do Your Part!

Victor Hugo once said that we need not werry about things beyond our power to do nor about things neglected by others for which we are not responsible. Do your own part and do it as well as you can and God will be respon sible for the rest is about the way the ch poet put it.

is what we also say to those faithful comrades who respond to every call and who now and then get discouraged because they feel that while they are doing their duty others are careless and indifferent and doing noth

Through all the ages there have been or would not do anything. Perhaps they could not help it. At any rate beyond having served as atoms and molecules in the highway of human progress there is no trace that they ver lived. They are as utterly forgot tem as the coral insects which build islands and perish in the building.

But the men and women who de often under great difficulties. leave their impress upon their age and their names are to be found in the index of the volumes of human progress.

Those of our readers who have the

fibre which keeps them active should not for a moment get discouraged be-cause others fail to do their duty. Let them do well their own part and the rest will surely take care of itself. Just at present the Appeal is in the midst of a struggle that is taxing all its resources and as in the past it again turns toward those of its supporters who do things and asks them in all candor to do all that in their power lies to widen the hearing of the Appeal among the people.

A mighty issue is now involved and everything depends upon the people being aroused to the gravity of the situation.

The letters which pour in show that Appeal is appreciated by many of best men and women in the country and their words of commendation in-spire the conviction that the Appeal is on the right track, that it is doing good work and that it is fairly entitled to the unflinching support of all who do things to hasten the coming of the day of justice.

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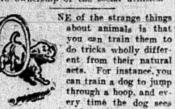
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What Will Pittsburg Do?

Already there are signs of weakening

GETTING IIP STEAM, places and that such a number of "emifinanciers and business mon are aplicated that powerful interests are work to suppress the scandal and irect the prosecution into harmless

> The sources of all this corruption lie capitalism and the beneficiaries are dists and that is why they are so olently opposed to Socialism which is loaded to the muzzle with damagroposes to put an end to private ownship and public graft by the collect ve ownership of the social utilities.



hoop it wants to jump through it. Men are not very different from animals in this respect. Train a man to vote a certain ticket and every time he goes to the polls he a strong desire to vote that ticket, even if he never gets any benefit from his act-even when he feels the pain of conditions afterward so that he swears at the men his vote has helped to elect As the dog goes through the hoop with out reasoning about the matter, so men vote as their daddies voted withou reasoning about the matter. You should know all the reasons why you vote a certain ticket, what direct benefits you expect to get, why voting for other tickets will injure you. How many voters have any such clear ideas of what How many they vote for?

The man who tries to get even never

It remained for capitalism to produce the workless worker.

Why not enjoin congress from raising the president's salary The chief difference between the mas-

ter and the boss is two letters. Capitalism is a great labor-saving

achine-for the capitalists. There are forty-six millionaires in ngress. As usual, money talks.

The worker is hired to be a drudge fo tenth of what he produces by his

drudgery.

So many are out of work that the time is very opportune for raising the salary of the president.

So, congress, cover up your steps, and ee what you're about, for the president will git you if you don't watch out.

It would not be so bad for people to believe all they hear if they did no also believe a lot of stuff they dream.

A little knowledge may be a dangerous thing, but it is not to be com pared in danger to a lot of ignorance.

How would it do for Carnegie to pre sent Pittsburg a prison for grafters and fit up his own room to suit his taste?

Mr. Rockefeller was no doubt wise nough to let Taft beat him at golf It may fix some other matters later

Politicians prate of palliative piffle What is needed is to quit robbing the workers and make them masters of their

The labor leader who succeeds is the fellow who makes the worker believe he is trying to get for him what he knows cannot be had.

Jack London aptly asks: "Why should there be one empty belly in all the world, when the work of ten men can

Labor is handed the lemon so often that it is time she made the lemon aid her in getting something more. It could be done by use of the ballot

Two things are unconstitutional in America, the death penalty for corporations and the jail sentence for rich men who are not ready to fail anyhow.

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to an extent as large as the capitalists, to hold public office? The workers are taxed by capitalism without representa-

From the statistical returns, showing that over 30,000 are killed in the in dustries every year and something near a million are injured, it would appear that there are more crippled victims of the system in the United States than there are people who have jobs.

New York financial statements show that the country banks are again de-positing their funds with the big banks there. If they did not do this, the gamblers of Wall street could not float so many schemes to skin 'the country depositors. Can you get wise to the

The Implement and Vehicle Record of a large number of city councilmen have sell or retire every twelve months. But

this, a few small-bore councilmen may be convicted but the big rascals who are responsible for the city being honeycombed with corruption will go unwhipped of justice. Only a few of the tools will be convicted to satisfy the public clamor but the guilty scoundrels who profited by their wrong-doing will not be punished.

Reports from Pittsburg intimate that the sources of graft are in such "high"

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A Pointer to Congress.

Do you gentlemen who compose the American congress really want to show up Theodore Roosevelt to the American ople? The press dispatches say that e president has you bluffed and that you do not dare to make any real at tack upon him for the reason that he the farm. ing and damning facts relating to bot members of the senate and the house

of representatives. Whether this be true or not is no low the question. The question the Appeal puts to you is, do you really want to strip the mask from the hypocrite Roosevelt and show him to the American people as the most blatant demagogue and spectacular fraud that ever defiled the executive seat at Washington?

If you really mean to resent Roose elt's insults all you have to do is to uncover his connection with nortorious Alton steal. The Appeal will under-take to furnish you with the documentary proof that Roosevelt, while gov ernor of New York, signed the special bill which enabled Harriman, at that time his pal, to loot the Chicago and Alton railroad company of over sixty million dollars.

This is a fact and it cannot be suc essfully denied.

If you refuse to press this home to the president and make him responsi ble before the people for this crime the inference is then clear that what he says of you is true and that you dare not open your batteries on him for fear that he will open his on you and make disclosures that will utterly destroy what little confidence and respect the people still have for congress.

As a closing word, gentlemen, this aper is responsible for the charge herein made and it is the only pape of large circulation which has published it for the reason that corporation influences have been powerful enough to suppress it in both republican and demo cratic papers. Moreover, if you have the courage and honesty to face the president with this charge of criminal collusion we will guarantee to save you the trouble of resorting to Roosevelt's secret service by ourselves furnishing the proof strong as holy writ of Roose velt's damning guilt.

What an Admission!

Conditions in Mexico are not favorable to Socialist propaganda. Mexican labor has not yet evolved to that neculiar kind of class-consciousness that makes the mind receptive to Socialist theories.

The above is found on page 517 of the September Bulletin of Labor, issued by the United States government. Th government admits that it takes a more intelligent mental condition than the Mexicans have evolved before Socialism can be received! In other words it admits that ignorant men and wome cannot grasp the Socialist ideal. Which way of saying that those who are not Socialists are too ignorant too undeveloped, to understand it! We Socialists should feel pretty well satisfied with such a tribute to our intelli gence, but what should the chumps feel who are still voting the old tickets in Mexico and this country? But perhaps the government understands that they have not evolved enough intelligence to understand this statement even if we put it before them. Only the most in telligent workers are Socialists, But it making more headway in Mexico

than our government likes to admit You see this government has its con suls make every observation about Socialism in every country. It pays no attention to reports on any other party Can you see it?

Pig Iron and Pig Heads.

The production of pig iron last year before. It would have been just as easy to produce an increase as it was to produce less, but as there was no profit in producing what could not be sold the workers were turned out to starve or live on decreased rations. The production in 1907 was twenty-five million tons, and fifteen million tons in 1908. There is more need of iron than sane system of industry the public would If capitalism is not class-conscious, own and operate the mines, and the why does it not permit real workers, bridges and buildings. Do you think that the people, under public ownership, would discharge themselves to starve and do without the things they need? not be better to have them produce things that are needed than to trun them out of employment and not have think starving idle men are better than busy well fed people?

A gold dredging company has been incorporated at San Francisco with a capital of \$50,000,000 for the purpose of dredging the rivers of the west and ex-tracting the gold from the gravel. This been in collusion with the bankers, promoters and other capitalists is equally certain. But what will be the upshot of the whole scandal? Simply this, a few small-bore councilmen may be convicted but the big raswill be riches for all.

to profit by it?

At the Country Store

What's the Matter With the Farm? "I wish Roosevelt's commission would to me," remarked Pop Weasel, who had been reading up. "I could mighty

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"Well, play I'm the commission," sug-gested Brother Ben. "Tell me."

"It's because the cities are milking is. In the old populist days we used to have a picture of a big cow, which was feeding in the west and being milked in New York. That's the idea exactly. The populists had it right by gum. You know it, Brother Ben The east, jest a leetle patch around New York, runs the whole works. Why, they tell us who is to be president, and you dasn't nominate a man from the west ven you Socialists dasn't."

Brother Ben smiled. "Suppose hould agree with you, Pop."

"By gum, you know it's so. Why them trust fellers in the east tell us they will pay us for our truck, and then fixed the price of things we buy. They git us coming and going, and they own our land and the mortgages on our land, and the railroads on which we ship hings, and play with us just exactly in we was mice and they was cats. Pop was growing enthusiastic. Brother Ben smiled all the broader as he suggested: "Of course the lonesomeness of th

farm and the hard work and all that sort of thing which they talked about-Pop interrupted him: "Shucks," he said. "The hard work comes because them fellers gets us. And as for lone omeness, I would as soon live in th country as not if I could make a good ish living. All them things is popycock exploited. I'll go with you that far Them capitalist fellers has us in their grip, and the big west, like a great hulk of a man before a feller not kne high to him, is led around by the east and the south is jest fairly trampled on and begs for the leetle feller to develop her. Lawsa massa, it makes me fairly bile to think of it." "And why does the east dominate us?

sker Brother Ben. "It's all on account of land, transpor

tation and money."
"Is it? I thought it was on accoun

of capitalist commercialism. If we had what you call a people's money could they not still exact profits from us, and would still have to send our goods to the east for a market. We couldn't do this for nothing. If we owned the railroads under state capitalism you would be paying interest enough to swamp you; and as for the land, the who could afford the best ma armer chinery and the best of appliances would So you see it is a matter of capitalism after all. Capitalism may be intrenched in the east, but it would be just a bad if it were intrenched in the west or the south. It is not the location of the masters that counts, but the fact o mastery; not concentration of capital sm into trusts, but the exploitation that goes with all capitalism

"But we could stop a hull lot of it. "If you were stronger than the exploit-ters, you might. But they are now stronger than you are. Fifty years ago farming was the biggest industry in America. Now manufacturing is twice as big as it. The growth of capitalism what has made the cities and the dominance of the east, and the supplanting of the farmer as a power is what makes him dissatisfied. Fifty years ago less than one in eleven of the people lived in the cities. Now one in every that which has grown to double your strength. The only way is to overthrow it completely and to destroy the system of exploitation. And if there was no

exploitation-By gum, there wouldn't be nothing

the matter with the farm then." In 1907 Japan exported \$1,177,683 worth of machinery. Most of it went need of to China, and consisted of cotton gins things made of iron that they cannot buy because it is too high. Under a ing in the east, and the yellow people in the yellow people in the east, and the yellow people in the yellow people in the east, and the yellow people in the yellow people in the east, and the yellow people in t are becoming capitalists. They will hereafter compete with America and Europe. Already the United States has lost the bulk of its Philippine trade to Japan, and when these cotton gins get in operation in China we will find the and do without the things they need? yellow race, cooley labor, competing with The people have to live, and would it the cotton industries of the southern states of America. Then the south will have a double race problem. And the yellow problem is likely to prove harder of solution than the black. The south the things? Individual ownership cannot do this, but collective ownership has entered on a period of capitalism, not only could but it would. Do you and she will be done to a frazzle, and very rapidly, too.

Defenders of the system that is, say they are opposed to Socialism because it means confiscation. But they are very busy these days in confiscating the property and business of the saloons, breweries, distilleries and wholesale means that the long tom and pan of the individual operator will be put out of business and his work will be done the traffic is rendered wholly worthless far better by machinery, operated by a and in many instances is taken posses-Already there are signs of weakening in the Pittsburg graft cases. That the city administration is liferally rotten to the core there is no doubt. That to the core there is no doubt. That plement and vehicle business either fail, is but another evidence that the wealth kansas. This is not defending the

Cotton's Weekly, published at Cow The government can borrow money at two per cent, but it still continues to pay the railroads 200 per cent per annum for the use of mail cars. Something rotten? Not at all. What is the use of railroads cowning congressmen, senators and the cabinet if they are not to profit by it?

Cotton's Weekly, published at Cownswilled Canada, is a valuable addition to the Socialist propaganda of the dominion. It is edited with striking abilities over there. It is more like the Appeal than any paper that has appeared. Canadian comrades should send to profit by it?

Judicial Veto Power.

One important case after another is being decided against the people by the United States supreme court. Among the latest is that of the Colorado land cases, putting an end to litigation in regard to land frauds. Only a few days ago it was the Standard Oil company annulling in effect the much discussed twenty-nine million dollar fine. nearly the same time Harriman was absolved from answering the questions of the interstate commerce com in regard to railroad jobberies.

The supreme court is the highest trib unal power of the nation and it uses every particle of that power in the interest of the ruling class and to keep the working class in subjection.

But the worst of all is that this cap

italist supreme tribunal has absolutely usurped the veto power. The laws of congress avail nothing. The representatives of the people are so many dum mies drawing big salaries under false pretenses. It is the supreme court which decides what is law and what is not law. All laws are subject to review by this court and may be declared null at its own will and pleasure.

This usurpation of the judicial veto power was never intended by the framers of the constitution and the founder of the public. There is absolutely no constitutional warrant and no authority of law for it. This function has been usurped deliberately, and strangely enough the people have submitted as tamely as so many swine and sheep.

There is no other court on the face of the globe that has the despotic power the power of judicial absolutism, usurped, stolen and exercised by the upreme court of the United States. What avails it the working class eve

if it can secure the passage of an anti-injunction law, or an eight hour law, or any other law favorable to labor s ong as a capitalist supreme court has the power to declare it unconstitutional. If any legislative act of congress could bring relief it would be to strip the su preme court of the veto power, not dele gated to it by the constitution, but oldly usurped by it at the behest of the property class to perpetuate its

The judicial veto of the supreme court is a lawless assumption of unbridled and irresponsible power which should arouse the protest of all the workers and all other fair minded citizens of the United States.

Clippings from local papers show that the "bread line" has arrived in every considerable town in the nation. Think of the citizens of the richest nation on earth standing in line begging for a cent's worth of bread! And the men you elect to run the nation tell whom you this is all right! It should cause the blush of shame to flush every cheek But instead of that we vote th dent \$100,000 a year salary! This must be because the president has been mismanaging affairs, for certainly you can not claim that reducing thou ands to beggary is good management. How long are public affairs to be managed solely in the interest of the rich while the workers are starving and freezing There is wealth enough for all, and thi wealth has been produced by the workers, some of whom are starving. How long, O! Lord, how long?

The rich are envious of the well being of the poor. They desire to hire them for the least wages possible, which means that they want the workers to have little but want most themselves. You often hear thoughtless people saying that Socialism is merely rich. Just the reverse is true. We do not envy the rich, but we desire to have three do so. You can't go back to old the workers live as well as they do conditions, and you cannot dictate to If there be any in want, let it be those who will not work.

> The propaganda to free the refugee is taking hold of the people and they are beginning to smell something very rotten in a land far from Denmark Since the Socialist papers have opened their batteries some of the capitalist papers are now beginning to feebly protest. Keep up the fire, boys, all along the line.

It is proposed to put a tax of five cents a pound on coffee, just to protect drinkers of this country! Of the coffe course it is not done to protect the rich from paying an income tax to support the government. Perish the thought! And you poor chumps can't see anything.

Did you ever ask why it is that there are people out of work, especially people who, wanted work. Is it their fault? They are willing to work if they had opportunity. Is it because they are unable to do good work? In the very closest of times there is always enough idle labor to produce plenty for within a year, if it was employed. Why is it not employed? Ask some of the idle men and they will tell you that they would work if they could, that they are seeking a job. That tells itcapitalists are keeping them from work. Capitalists are responsible for the hard times, for unemployment. How does that come? Because they own the tools with which man must work, and man annot work until he is connected with to build houses, to make cloth, to produce the things that would benefit society, but he cannot do so because, as scripture says, "no man hath hired him." Yet, at the same time, when he would like to work and produce things, but cannot because others who own the tools will not permit it, there are people who would like very much to have shoes, clothing, houses and the good, things that the unemployed have the ability to produce. Indeed, there is never a time when people feel more strongly the need of the things which labor can make than when many la orers are unemployed. But there is only one conclusion possible, and that is that the capitalists, instead of "giv ing" men work, keep many of them from work and permit only such as they choose to labor. One might ask why they do this? It is that they may con tinur the game, and so be masters of the situation. If every man had free access to raw material and the tools of

The truth is that neither President Roosevelt nor the senate nor the house wants the issue between them fought The diverse interests impelling them have forced this strained relation but each is afraid of what the other knows and all know that if the whole truth should be told about what takes place behind the scenes-the hypocrisy of the executive and the lawlessness of the law makers—the people would have only contempt for the whole gang of capitalistic freebooters who have more conception of real political ethics nor of honestly serving the people than the Russian and Mexican brigands that loot their victims in the name of law and government.

production, there need never be any idle

provide this access to the needs of life.

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and never any poor. Socialism

The slaughter of some hundred miner in the notorious coal mines at Blue Fields, W. Va., and Ziegler, Ill., adds another argument against the unfair employers. The men are helpless against extortion, against every dangerous condition. They must submit or starve families of these men would be protected just as are the families of soldiers killed or wounded. But the workers refuse to elect men who want the public to own the mines and protect their lives and their families. Some day, some day, they will wake up and see. An item in the press said the cold

map had stimulated business, especially in the coal line. Just as if this a good thing! It may help the coaproducers, but it injures all the consumers, who are a hundred times as many as the coal producers. Under the present anarchy of industry, some have eason to rejoice at an injury to others. For instance, every destruction of prop erty today serves to employ more peo ple, giving them a chance to earn a ing, while under public ownership all would lose by every fire or flood. Insane? Well, this system is nothing else.

We are going to send the Appeal for year to every democratic editor in he country and we want you to send us a dollar or as much more as you can afford to make up the necessary fund for that purpose. It will be a master stroke as thousands of demoare now ready to become Social ists.

The national banks still hold \$110,000. 000 of government deposits for which they pay no interest. This is part of the money the public treasury handed

Another Judicial Black Eye. The supreme court of the United Sstates has "handed down" another of its justly celebrated self-acting capitalistic decisions. In this instance the decis ion is not against labor directly but against "the government." there is an issue between "the govern ment" and the plutocratic trusts and corporations "the government" gets all that is coming to it.

For years "the government" has been prosecuting the notorious land frauds which have been perpetrated in Colo rado and other western states, in which Senator Borah achieved unsavory em nence, but escaped the penalty through the friendly offices of Theodore Roose the tools. The idle man has it in him velt and his accommodating administration. These cases, involving millions of acres of the choicest lands stolen form "the government," were carried to the supreme court and now that pluto-cratic adjunct has decided against "the government," thrown the cases out of

court, and put an end to the litigation. Thus the millionaire pirates keep possession of their stolen empire and go scot free with a clean bill from the supreme court. It will now be in order for the anti-

Socialists with delicate sensibilities of right and wrong to ask how Socialists will get possession of these lands and other things stolen by the plutocrats when Socialists get into power. This ought to be dead easy sufficient faith in the intelligence of So cialists to believe that it will be when the time comes. It is of course perfectly natural that

the supreme court should decide all these issues in favor of the plutocrats In the capitalist system public officials, including supreme judges, are the tools of the capitalists. Only those who do the bidding of the capitalists can succeed in capitalist politics. All the members of the supreme cour

without exception were appointed through plutocratic influences. The great capitalists who furnish the campaign funds and control the votes of the work ing slaves see that no man reaches the supreme court unless his record at-tests both his capacity and ambition to serve the ruling class.

Let these decisions come thick and fast and some time the people will arouse from the hypnotic spell cast over them by capitalism and sweep the system from the track of progress. One-third of the whole population is

engaged, not in production, but in preventing production. How many sands would be farming today if they were permitted the use of land? or would be mining if they were permitted? or would be making things if they were permitted? Can you not see that a ystem that prevents men and wom from doing things that should be done making things they are in need of, is all wrong? Why should the workers be put to being servants of the few you call rich, the few who won't work, the few who are reveling in luxury they have not helped to produce? If you had any sense you could see things are upside down. The useful people are at the bottom and the useless people are on top. Not only here, but everywhere on earth is this true. Look at Italy, at Spain, at Russia, at China, at Japan, at Mexico-everywhere you see the condition. Wake up.

Oh, if you were only as persistent in putting Socialist papers into the hands your neighbors as are the Russian patriots! They do it at the risk of their lives, and the printed sheets cost enormously because they have to be printed in secret or else smuggled into the country, while you can buy them openly at a ridiculously small price and are not endangered by the act. If your neighbor will not read one paper, get another and hand it to him. Isn't in dustrial liberty worth doing your utmost

The divine right of property has ceased to be a fetish, along with the divine right of kings.

A Socialist in Congress.

Suggestions as to What He Might Do. Introduce a bill to abrogate those features of the treaty with Russia and other countries that permit political

refugees to be returned. Introduce a resolution that no court dare pass on a legislative act, but must over to them during the "late" panic. take it as it is.—Charles Hockenbrouch, Cleveland, Ohio.

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